

# TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT



ANNUAL TOWN REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2008

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## INFORMATION

TOWN CLERK OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 – 12:00 AM and 1:00 – 4:00 PM, Monday-Friday

TREASURER'S OFFICE: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Monday-Friday

ZONING OFFICE: 8:00-12:00 PM, Monday-Thursday 12:00-4:00PM Friday

OFFICE PERSONNEL: Mary Ann Goulette, Town Manager (438-2263)  
Treasurer's Office (438-2263)  
Karen Reynolds, Treasurer  
Pat Johnson, Bookkeeper  
Christine Wener, Assistant Bookkeeper  
Town Clerk, Jayne Pratt (438-2204)  
Zoning Administrator, Amy Loomis (438-2204)  
Listers: Frances Flynn, Robert Higgins, Ed Lummer (438-2263)

FAX: (438-5133)

TOWN GARAGE: (438-2854)

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: (438-5633)

WATER DEPARTMENT: (438-2113)

LIBRARY: (438-2964)

Offices will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

New Year's Day	President's Day	Memorial Day
Independence Day	Labor Day	Veteran's Day
Thanksgiving Day	Day after Thanksgiving	Day before Christmas
Christmas Day		

DUE DATE FOR UTILITY PAYMENTS: April 22 and October 22

DUE DATE FOR TAX PAYMENTS: August 15, November 15, May 15

### MEETING HOURS:

#### SELECTBOARD

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 pm in Town Hall Conference Room

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

1<sup>ST</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in Town Hall Conference Room



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## TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT

### WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall Auditorium on Monday, March 2nd, 2009 at 7:00 PM for an informational hearing and to act on Articles 1, 2 & 3. And to meet on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2009 at 10:00 AM at the West Rutland Town Hall, 35 Marble Street, to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 4-18. Polls to close at 7:00 PM.

- Article #1 To act on the reports of the Town Officers.
- Article #2 To discuss the proposed Selectboard's Budget for the expenses of the Town and Highway Department.
- Article #3 To transact any other legal and proper business, not involving Town funds or any other articles on this warning.


#### THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

- Article #4 To elect by Australian Ballot all necessary Town Officers: Town Moderator 1 year, Selectperson 3 Years (1), Selectpersons 1 Year (2), Lister 3 Years (1), Grand Juror, and Town Law Agent.
- Article #5 Shall the Town approve the Selectboard's Budget for Fiscal Year 2010 covering July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 in the amount of \$1,111,370 to be raised by taxes?
- Article #6 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for continuing repaving and sidewalk improvements.
- Article #7 Shall the Town increase the veterans' exemption under 32 V.S.A, Chapter 125, 3802 to \$20,000 of appraisal value.
- Article #8 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$400 to support the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)?
- Article #9 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,800 to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice? (\$300 to support Rutland Area Hospice and \$4500 to support RAVNAH Home & Community Health Services)
- Article #10 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$10,774 (\$4.25 per capita) to maintain the services of the Rutland Regional Ambulance?
- Article #11 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,304 for the support of Rutland Area Community Services (formerly Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.) so that these services can be maintained?

- Article #12 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$500 to the Rutland Economic Development Corporation (REDC) for the purposes of development promotion?
- Article #13 Shall the Town of West Rutland appropriate the sum of \$1,200 to Vermont Adult Learning/Rutland County Adult Basic Education for providing direct educational services to adults to include teaching materials?
- Article #14 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,250 to support the programs and services of BROCC (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council)?
- Article #15 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$300 to support the Association for Retarded Citizens- Rutland Area?
- Article #16 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the support of the programs of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?
- Article #17 Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the NeighborWorks of Western Vermont (formerly Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.)?
- Article #18 Shall the Town allocate the sum of \$750 for support of the Rutland County Community Land Trust to provide affordable housing solutions in West Rutland?

Selectboard

January 26, 2009


  
Sean Barrows, Chairperson

  
Richard Daley

  
Peter Bianchi

  
Nicola Notte

  
Chester Brown

WEST RUTLAND TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
RECEIVED FOR RECORD  
27<sup>th</sup> day of Jan A.D. 2009  
AT 9 O'Clock 00 Minutes A M  
And Recorded in Town Meeting & Misc.  
Book 6 Page 163-164  
Attest  Town Clerk

**Town of West Rutland School District  
WARNING**

The legal voters of the Town of West Rutland School District are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall, 35 Marble Street, West Rutland, in said Town on Monday, March 2, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. to discuss the following matters to wit:

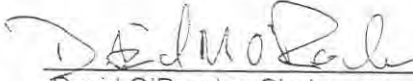
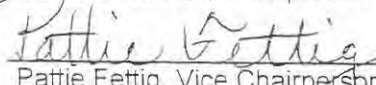
1. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town of West Rutland School District.
2. To hear and discuss the proposed School District Budget. All citizens are invited to attend and provide the School Board with comments and ask questions concerning the proposed school budget.
3. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

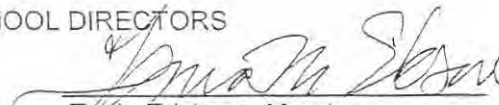

At the close of business, the Moderator shall recess the meeting until Tuesday, March 3, 2009 from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 35 Marble Street, West Rutland, to vote by Australian Ballot on the following matters to wit:

1. Shall the Town School District appropriate the sum of Five million, one hundred six thousand, two hundred and forty eight dollars, (\$5,106,248) necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2009?
2. To elect all School District Officials as required by law.

West Rutland, Vermont


BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

  
David O'Rourke, Chairperson  
  
Pattie Fetting, Vice Chairperson

  
Tonia Erickson, Member  
  
Lisa Garcia, Member

  
James Murnford, Member

Date: 1-26-2009

**WEST RUTLAND TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
RECEIVED FOR RECORD**  
27th day of Jan A.D., 2009  
AT 11 O'Clock 00 Minutes A M  
And Recorded in Town Meeting & Misc.  
Book 6 Page 165  
Attest  Town Clerk



# TOWN OFFICERS 2009-2010

Positions	Officers	Term	Term Ending
Moderator Town and School	*Lowell Wakker	1 Year	2009
Town Clerk	Jayne Pratt	3 Year	2010
Town Treasurer	Karen Reynolds	2 year	2010
Selectpersons	*Peter Bianchi	1 Year	2009
	*Richard Daley	3 Year	2009
	Nicola Notte	3 Year	2011
	Sean Barrows	3 year	2010
	*Chester Brown Jr.	1 year	2009
School Directors	David O'Rourke	3 year	2010
	Lisa Garcia	3 year	2011
	*James Mumford Jr.	1 year	2009
	*Patty Fettig	3 year	2009
	*Tonia Erickson	1 year	2009
Listers	*Edward Lummer	3 year	2009
	Robert Higgins, Jr.	3 year	2010
	Frances Flynn	3 year	2011
Grand Juror	*Richard Candlish	1 year	2009
Town Law Agent	*Jayne Pratt	1 year	2009
Police	Sheriff's Dept.	By Appointment	
Health Officer	Amy Loomis	By Appointment	
Town Service Officer	Jayne Pratt	By Appointment	
Animal Control Officer	Sheriff's Dept.	By Appointment	
Emergency Management Dir	Vacant	By Appointment	
Zoning Administrator	Amy Loomis	By Appointment	

\*Positions to be voted on 2009

Updated 12/17/2008

To the residents of West Rutland,

How quickly the year has passed, I've certainly enjoyed my first year back in West Rutland. Each day, I am continually amazed at the talented staff we have working for our Town. They have helped to make for a smooth transition and continue to strive for efficient ways to serve our residents.

This year, we were fortunate to accomplish a number of projects. First and foremost, the reappraisal was completed. Thank you to all the residents for your patience and cooperation throughout the process. The objective of the reappraisal was to generate accurate, defensible estimates of the fair market value conforming to the State of Vermont requirements. As many of you know, the last reappraisal was done nearly twenty years ago and with any luck the next one won't occur for many years to come. Thank you to the Board of Listers for their commitment and dedication. With the help of new software, the Board of Listers are now able to track values and new construction providing much more information to help Town employees better serve you while at the same time making that same information available to you to ensure that you are being assessed fairly. The goal of any assessment system is to create equity.

In 2008, we also celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Town Hall. The building is a vital component of the town, and officials and supporters were committed to restoring its historical integrity while improving its long-term functionality. After years of fundraising and grant writing, the renovations are complete. To kick off the celebration, we held a ribbon cutting ceremony in March with Governor Douglas. It was a proud moment for West Rutland as the newly renovated auditorium was unveiled to the public for the first time. Since then, the auditorium has been a very busy place. Our venue has already hosted a variety of community events such as : Marble Valley Players One Act Plays, school musicals and concerts, class fundraisers, meetings, anniversary parties and much more. We ended the year's celebration with a spectacular fireworks display as part of the Tree Lighting ceremony. It was a magical night and we thank our sponsors for their generous support, Carris Reels, First Brandon Bank, Stewart's Shops, Rutland Herald, Walmart, OMYA, and LaValley's Building Supply.

We also unveiled the Town Farm Trail at the recreation area. This trail created a new, quality trail experience at the popular West Rutland Recreation Area. This project is effectively an extension of the bike path off Clarendon Avenue built in 2005. The new trail begins with a 60' long and 6' wide pedestrian bridge, which crosses the Clarendon River, continues for one mile with an elevation change of 300 vertical feet. It was constructed in large part, by Scott Maxham, recreation director, the highway crew and the Vermont Youth Conservations Corp. through a grant under the Vermont Recreation Trail Program. Trail usage is non-motorized, such as; hiking, running, mountain biking, XC skiing and snowshoeing. Our focus in the next year is to add signage, identify new trails, mark distances, and plant identifications.

We also continue to implement cost savings and acquire grants whenever possible. This year we were the recipients of a Class 2 Roadway Grant from VTTrans in the amount of \$152,000 for the paving of Whipple Hollow Road. After experiencing a shortage of winter salt last year we purchased and stocked our entire salt allotment for the year and were able to lock in at last years price resulting in a \$7,000 savings. We also work through the state purchasing department whenever possible, this year we locked in our

heating fuel for all buildings. Their price fluctuates with the market but we still saved thousands of dollars in comparison to last year's fixed price.

We also unveiled a new website [www.westrutlandtown.com](http://www.westrutlandtown.com) and email newsletter. The website provides information to residents and visitors alike on town news, activities and departments, business opportunities, an easy link to the school website, places of interest and much more. Please be sure to visit the new site and sign up with your email to receive regular updates and stay informed on town news.

In the coming year, we plan to keep the number of projects to a minimum in order to keep costs down as much as possible in this difficult economic time. With that in mind, we tried to keep the budget level funded. In fact, the 2009-10 proposed property tax that has been submitted reflects a decrease of -1.31% from the previous year. We are also patiently waiting with a list of infrastructure projects in hand in anticipation that a stimulus package arrives from the Federal government.

I look forward to an exciting year and look for opportunities to make positive changes. I want to thank the dedicated staff, Select Board and volunteers for their service and dedication to the Town of West Rutland. Again, I thank you for your support and the opportunity to serve the Town of West Rutland. Please feel free to stop in or contact me at 438-2263 or [mgoulette@westrutlandtown.com](mailto:mgoulette@westrutlandtown.com) with any comment or suggestion, my door is always open.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Goulette, Town Manager



## NOTICE TO VOTERS

### BEFORE ELECTION DAY

#### CHECKLIST POSTED:

By Sunday February 1, 2009, (or 30 days before your town meeting). The Town Clerk must post the checklist. Make sure your name is on it. If your name is not on it, you must complete an application to the checklist. (Available online at <http://www.sec.state.vt.us>, click on Elections or from your town clerk.)

#### REGISTER TO VOTE:

Deliver your application to the checklist to your Town Clerk's office no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, February 23, 2009 deadline.

#### EARLY OR ABSENTEE BALLOTS:

You, or a family member on your behalf, may request an early or absentee ballot from your Town Clerk by telephone, mail or e-mail at any time up until 5 p.m. or closing of the Town Clerk's office on the day before the election, March 2, 2009. An authorized person can apply for you to get a ballot only in person or in writing.

You can also go to the Town Clerk's office and vote your ballot while at the office. Or, you can pick up your ballot at the Town Clerk's office and take it home to vote. (You cannot pick up a ballot for your spouse or anyone else.)

If you take your ballot or have a ballot sent to you, you must return the ballot to the Town Clerk's office or to the polling place not later than 7 p.m. on the day of the election.

If you are ill or disabled, you can request that a pair of Justices` of the Peace deliver a ballot to you. You can request assistance in reading or marking your ballot from the justices. They must return the ballot to the Town Clerk for you.

SAMPLE BALLOTS POSTED: Saturday, February 21, 2009

## **NOTICE TO VOTERS cont.**

### **ON ELECTION DAY**

- If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, explain the situation to your Town Clerk and ask that it be put back on.
- If the problem isn't cleared up to your satisfaction, have the Town Clerk, a Selectman or other members of the Board of Civil Authority call an immediate meeting of the members of the board who are present at the polls. They should investigate the problem and clear it up.
- If you are still not satisfied, you may take a brief written request to a superior court judge, who will rule on your request before the polls close that day. Call the Secretary of State's office at 1-800-439-VOTE for more information.
- If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may bring the person of your choice to assist you or you can request assistance from two election officials.
- If you cannot get from the car into the polling place, two election officials may bring a ballot to your car.

### **THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED BY LAW:**

- Do Not knowingly vote more than once, either in the same town or in different towns.
- Do Not mislead the Board of Civil Authority about your own or another person's eligibility to vote. You can only register to vote and remain on the checklist in the town of your principal dwelling place.
- Do Not display any campaign literature, stickers, buttons, etc. within the building containing a polling place. However, a voter may bring a small card or paper into the polling place for his or her own use in remembering candidates so long as it is not publicly displayed.
- Do Not solicit votes or otherwise campaign within the building containing a polling place.
- Do Not interfere with the process of a voter going to and from the polling place. This includes not socializing in a manner that will disturb other voters.

Municipal Tax Rate  
PROJECTION  
Fiscal Year 2010

Town Expenditures	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	Percent of Budget	Tax Rate Value
General & Highway	\$ 779,201	\$ 889,348	\$ 962,907	\$ 1,087,853	\$ 1,125,899	\$ 1,111,370	92.4%	0.6214
Services Articles	\$ 24,028	\$ 25,028	\$ 25,028	\$ 25,028	\$ 25,028	\$ 25,778	2.1%	0.0144
Paving Article	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	5.4%	0.0363
ADA Town Buildings	\$ 15,000	\$ -						-
Fire Dept.	\$ 20,000		\$ 107,703					-
Town Total	\$ 903,229	\$ 979,376	\$ 1,160,638	\$ 1,177,881	\$ 1,215,927	\$ 1,202,148	100.0%	0.67213
Other Revenues	\$ 255,550	\$ 207,050	\$ 207,050	\$ 200,800	\$ 194,081	\$ 199,366		
<b>Total Expenses &amp; Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,158,779</b>	<b>\$ 1,186,426</b>	<b>\$ 1,367,688</b>	<b>\$ 1,378,681</b>	<b>\$ 1,410,008</b>	<b>\$ 1,401,514</b>		
 * Grand List Value	 \$ 980,105.00	 \$ 1,051,059.67	 \$ 1,048,087.70	 \$ 1,048,087.70	 \$ 1,048,087.70	 \$ 1,788,574.50		
 Tax Rate per \$100 val. Municipal Tax Rate Only	 0.9216	 0.9318	 1.1074	 1.1238	 1.1601	 0.6721		

\* please note reappraisal was completed in FY10

FY 10 ESTIMATED TAX CALCULATION	
home value	tax \$
\$ 100,000	\$ 672.13
\$ 150,000	\$ 1,008.19
\$ 200,000	\$ 1,344.25



**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

	ACTUAL 2007	ACTUAL 2008	BUDGETED 2009	PROPOSED 2010	CHANGE
<b>REVENUES</b>					
PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 1,056,822	\$ 1,092,365	\$ 1,125,899	\$ 1,111,370	-1.31%
DELINQUENT TAXES	\$ 81,095	\$ 91,646			
STATE HIGHWAY AID	\$ 79,051	\$ 78,824	\$ 76,700	\$ 69,030	
RAILROAD TAX	\$ 1,051	\$ 752	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	
SEWER & WATER ADMINISTRATION	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,500	\$ 24,000	\$ 25,000	
ORDINANCE FINES	\$ 10,703	\$ 11,791	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,000	
SOLID WASTE	\$ 190	\$ 73	\$ 300	\$ 150	
CLERK FEES	\$ 17,070	\$ 19,311	\$ 16,000	\$ 17,000	
ZONING FEES	\$ 4,317	\$ 3,237	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,000	
COPIER	\$ 573	\$ 598	\$ 300	\$ 500	
DOG LICENSES	\$ 2,162	\$ 2,329	\$ 2,100	\$ 2,100	
TREASURER SALARY SCHOOL	\$ 6,488	\$ 6,683	\$ 6,881	\$ 6,586	
INTEREST	\$ 24,305	\$ 15,546	\$ 6,300	\$ 16,000	
TOWN HALL RENT	\$ -	\$ 784	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
LIQUOR LICENSE	\$ 890	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ 700	
DEL. TAX INT/PENALTY	\$ 20,970	\$ 22,926	\$ 30,000	\$ 25,000	
PERMITS	\$ 375	\$ 295	\$ 200	\$ 300	
PHONE REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 535	\$ 608	\$ 600	\$ 600	
MISC.	\$ 2,776	\$ 4,912	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
MISC. REC. PROGRAMS	\$ -	\$ 1,046	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,500	
REC BASEBALL/SOFTBALL	\$ 765	\$ 2,415	\$ -	\$ -	
TOWN CLERK OTHER	\$ 1,796	\$ 1,502	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,500	
T. CLERK'S RESTORATION	\$ 2,391	\$ 2,368		\$ 2,300	
PILOT PROGRAM	\$ 812	\$ 833		\$ 1,100	
STATE LAND USE	\$ 5,145	\$ 6,238	\$ 4,500	\$ 6,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,352,281</b>	<b>\$ 1,400,282</b>	<b>\$ 1,319,980</b>	<b>\$ 1,310,736</b>	<b>-0.70%</b>

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

**EXPENDITURES  
ADMINISTRATIVE**

	ACTUAL 2007	ACTUAL 2008	BUDGETED 2009	PROPOSED 2010	
MANAGER'S SALARY	\$ 51,449	\$ 51,197	\$ 50,470	\$ 52,000	
MANAGER'S EXPENSE	\$ 3,138	\$ 3,425	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,500	
TREASURER'S SALARY	\$ 12,054	\$ 12,416	\$ 12,789	\$ 13,172	
OFFICE BACK UP	\$ 2,147	\$ 2,175	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,500	
TOWN CLERK SALARY	\$ 26,472	\$ 27,266	\$ 28,084	\$ 29,000	
TOWN CLERK SUPPLIES	\$ 2,348	\$ 1,381	\$ 3,200	\$ 1,500	
COPIER LEASE	\$ 3,179	\$ 2,610	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600	
TOWN OFFICIAL EXPENSE	\$ 4,051	\$ 3,416	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,500	
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT			\$ 2,500	\$ 2,000	
LISTERS	\$ 9,883	\$ 2,679	\$ 12,000	\$ 8,500	
SELECTMEN SALARY	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
PLAN/ZONING SALARY	\$ 1,709	\$ 1,884	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,900	
ZONING MILEAGE	\$ 181	\$ 249	\$ 200	\$ 200	
ZONING ADMIN. SALARY	\$ 14,658	\$ 14,784	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,046	
HEALTH OFFICER SALARY	\$ 866	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	
ON SITE SEPTIC OFFICER	\$ 250	\$ 139	\$ -	\$ -	
BOOKKEEPER/SECRETARY SALARY	\$ 23,694	\$ 27,726	\$ 27,000	\$ 28,463	
ASSISTANT BOOKKEEPER	\$ 16,912	\$ 18,579	\$ 19,300	\$ 21,315	
HEALTH & DENTAL *	\$ 44,940	\$ 43,553	\$ 42,000	\$ 15,707	
FICA	\$ 22,536	\$ 22,804	\$ 26,000	\$ 12,500	
PROPERTY & LIABILITY	\$ 10,003	\$ 14,455	\$ 14,861	\$ 13,126	
WORKERS COMP	\$ 10,416	\$ 9,486	\$ 10,560	\$ 1,453	
RETIREMENT(VMERS)	\$ 14,700	\$ 11,698	\$ 13,500	\$ 6,700	
EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE	\$ 1,721	\$ 1,456	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 475	\$ 1,542	\$ 1,250	\$ 866	
DISABILITY	\$ 2,288	\$ 2,504	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
PUBLIC OFFICE LIAB	\$ 2,454	\$ 3,552	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,300	
AUDITING	\$ 10,200	\$ 10,744	\$ 10,800	\$ 14,500	
SINGLE AUDIT	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,456	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000	
ELECTIONS	\$ 4,498	\$ 2,699	\$ 4,500	\$ 2,800	
TAX BILLING	\$ 776	\$ 689	\$ 700	\$ 1,500	
DATA PROCESSING	\$ 4,305	\$ 5,681	\$ 4,500	\$ 5,000	
LEGAL FEES	\$ 14,836	\$ 7,083	\$ 12,000	\$ 11,000	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 3,315	\$ 6,094	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,500	
POSTAGE	\$ 3,143	\$ 2,486	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,500	
TOWN REPORT	\$ 898	\$ 862	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,000	
ADVERTISING	\$ 2,079	\$ 1,788	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,500	
TELEPHONE	\$ 2,274	\$ 2,258	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,300	
DELINQUENT TAX EXPENSE	\$ 6,825	\$ 1,325	\$ 100		
REGIONAL PLANNING	\$ 750	\$ 750	\$ 750	\$ 750	
VLCT DUES	\$ 2,447	\$ 2,523	\$ 2,523	\$ 2,719	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 2,453	\$ 7,795	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
NEWSLETTERS	\$ 250	\$ 391	\$ 500	\$ 500	
Total ADMINISTRATIVE	\$ 349,573	\$ 344,800	\$ 367,987	\$ 309,617	-15.86%

\*Please note insurances are now allocated to each department.

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

HIGHWAY	ACTUAL 2007	ACTUAL 2008	BUDGETED 2009	PROPOSED 2010	
EQUIPMENT SAVINGS	\$ 50,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 70,000	
LABOR	\$ 128,069	\$ 125,399	\$ 138,000	\$ 138,000	
FICA *				\$ 9,580	
RETIREMENT (VMERS)				\$ 6,625	
HEALTH & DENTAL				\$ 24,434	
WORKMANS COMP				\$ 8,467	
PROPERTY & LIABILITY				\$ 1,329	
UNEMPLOYMENT				\$ 373	
UNIFORMS	\$ 1,353	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	
SALT	\$ 46,669	\$ 58,776	\$ 58,000	\$ 60,000	
SAND	\$ 4,836	\$ 15,564	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	
MAG. CHLORIDE	\$ 5,217	\$ 5,634	\$ 9,000	\$ 7,000	
ENGINEERING	\$ 1,683	\$ 363		\$ 2,000	
CULVERTS	\$ 1,165	\$ 262	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,000	
GRAVEL	\$ 5,865	\$ 9,250	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	
HOT MIX	\$ 2,175	\$ 1,374	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
RESURFACING	\$ 19,500		\$ 19,500	\$ 19,500	
DUST CONTROL	\$ 2,490	\$ 2,728	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
COLD PATCH	\$ 1,960	\$ 1,725	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE	\$ 3,290		\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
LAWN MAINTENANCE	\$ 3,532	\$ 3,812	\$ 3,623	\$ 3,623	
TREE WORK	\$ 2,031	\$ 2,135	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	
TRAFFIC SIGNS	\$ 802	\$ 941	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,000	
PAGER SERVICE	\$ 538	\$ 539	\$ 600	\$ 550	
TOOLS & MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 3,743	\$ 3,595	\$ 3,800	\$ 2,800	
GRADING	\$ 3,971	\$ 2,380	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	
BRIDGE RESERVE	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	
CATCH BASIN CLEANING	\$ -		\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
CHANNEL MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,440	\$ 1,390	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,600	
SIDEWALK REPAIR	\$ 15,000	\$ 6,312	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	
STREET CLEANING	\$ 830	\$ 1,167	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,500	
ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$ 20,000	\$ 21,114	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	
PAVEMENT MARKING	\$ 1,180	\$ 917	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	
TRAINING	\$ 116	\$ 120	\$ 250	\$ 250	
GAS,OIL,DIESEL	\$ 16,926	\$ 22,980	\$ 25,000	\$ 23,000	
REPAIR PARTS	\$ 3,769	\$ 3,619	\$ 3,800	\$ 4,000	
OUTSIDE REPAIRS	\$ 2,167	\$ 1,876	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
TIRES,CHAINS,BATTERIES	\$ 1,743	\$ 3,024	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
PLOW BLADES	\$ 3,375	\$ 4,565	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,800	
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,154	\$ 2,011	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
INSURANCE - AUTO	\$ 2,331	\$ 2,330	\$ 2,880	\$ 3,048	
RADIOS	\$ 385	\$ 734	\$ 500	\$ 200	
GARAGE HEAT	\$ 7,953	\$ 8,979	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE				\$ 1,000	
REPAIRS	\$ 1,836	\$ 2,036	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	
TELEPHONE	\$ 427	\$ 452	\$ 490	\$ 500	
CVPS	\$ 1,146	\$ 1,150	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,250	
WEATHER CENTER	\$ 683	\$ 910	\$ 880	\$ 750	
GARAGE LOAN BOND	\$ 30,854	\$ 30,045	\$ 29,560	\$ 28,726	
SAND & SALT SHED BOND	\$ 12,492	\$ 12,259	\$ 12,141	\$ 11,764	
Total HIGHWAY	\$ 419,196	\$ 423,466	\$ 477,474	\$ 532,170	11.46%

\* Please note insurances are now allocated to each department.



**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

<b>FIRE DEPT</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008</b>	<b>BUDGETED 2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2010</b>	
FIRE SERVICE REIMBURSEM.	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 354	\$ 576	\$ 400	\$ 400	
POSTAGE	\$ 28	\$ 40	\$ 75	\$ 75	
TOOLS	\$ 277	\$ 597	\$ 750	\$ 750	
VEHICLE FUEL	\$ 973	\$ 960	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	
CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$ 215	\$ 389	\$ 400	\$ 400	
PHONE	\$ 1,216	\$ 1,714	\$ 2,064	\$ 2,064	
TRAINING & DUES	\$ 1,337	\$ 423	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,250	
INSURANCE PROPERTY & CASUALTY	\$ 12,548	\$ 12,388	\$ 14,500	\$ 4,600	
INSURANCE AUTO				\$ 7,000	
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 1,157	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,229	\$ 1,008	
ACCIDENT & SICKNESS	\$ 2,072	\$ 2,071	\$ 2,100	\$ 2,071	
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 3,446	\$ 1,815	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,200	
UNIFORMS	\$ 310			\$ 750	
CVPS-STATION	\$ 2,723	\$ 2,049	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
HEATING FUEL	\$ 1,135	\$ 5,035	\$ 6,750	\$ 6,000	
CAP. EQUIPMENT SAVINGS	\$ 10,450	\$ 10,450	\$ 10,450	\$ 10,450	
COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 1,610	\$ 1,303	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,500	
TRUCK MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,341	\$ 2,055	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,500	
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,493	\$ 2,160	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	
STATION IMPROVEMENT	\$ 5,000		\$ -		
SNOW REMOVAL	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,100	
MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE			\$ 350	\$ 350	
TRUCK SAVINGS	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	
BOND PAYMENT	\$ 41,465	\$ 106,848	\$ 105,698	\$ 102,183	
MISCELLANEOUS			\$ 500	\$ 500	
<b>Total FIRE DEPT</b>	<b>\$ 123,150</b>	<b>\$ 184,974</b>	<b>\$ 196,666</b>	<b>\$ 191,351</b>	<b>-2.70%</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008</b>	<b>BUDGETED 2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2010</b>	
STREET LIGHTS	\$ 38,592	\$ 40,153	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	
SOLID WASTE MGT	\$ 2,650	\$ 2,748	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
LIBRARY	\$ 31,000	\$ 31,000	\$ 32,200	\$ 37,200	
MEMORIAL DAY	\$ -	\$ 70	\$ 250	\$ 250	
IRA TOWN TAXES	\$ 2,417	\$ 2,377	\$ 2,500	\$ 700	
<b>Total MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$ 74,659</b>	<b>\$ 76,348</b>	<b>\$ 77,450</b>	<b>\$ 80,650</b>	<b>4.13%</b>
<b>TOWN HALL</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008</b>	<b>BUDGETED 2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2010</b>	
MAINTENANCE LABOR	\$ 1,063	\$ 6,275	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,000	
INSPECTIONS - ELEVATOR, ETC.				\$ 3,000	
CLEANING SERVICE	\$ 5,181	\$ 5,008	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,250	
CVPS	\$ 4,293	\$ 5,194	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 4,767	\$ 2,499	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	
FUEL OIL	\$ 8,372	\$ 15,423	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,000	
ELECTRICAL	\$ -	\$ 317	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	
IMPROVEMENTS-RESERVE	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
TOWN CLERK VAULT RESERVE	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
BOND PAYMENT	\$ 12,492	\$ 12,259	\$ 12,141	\$ 11,764	
<b>Total TOWN HALL</b>	<b>\$ 46,168</b>	<b>\$ 56,975</b>	<b>\$ 54,141</b>	<b>\$ 56,514</b>	<b>4.38%</b>

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

<b>LAW ENFORCEMENT</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008</b>	<b>BUDGETED 2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2010</b>	
POLICE ANIMAL CONTROL	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 8,500	
POLICE TELEPHONE	\$ 656	\$ 441			
HUMANE SOCIETY	\$ -	\$ 82	\$ 200	\$ 200	
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ -		\$ 100	\$ 100	
VEHICLE FINANCE / MILEAGE	\$ 7,584	\$ 5,543	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	
POLICE FORCE-LABOR	\$ 64,052	\$ 55,508	\$ 64,150	\$ 66,284	
Total LAW ENFORCEMENT.	\$ 81,292	\$ 70,574	\$ 80,450	\$ 82,084	2.03%
<b>RECREATION</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008</b>	<b>BUDGETED 2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2010</b>	
CVPS	\$ 396	\$ 461	\$ 520	\$ 500	
TELEPHONE	\$ 359	\$ 407	\$ 400	\$ 350	
LABOR	\$ 3,777	\$ 3,725	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,000	
SUPPLIES / EQUIPMENT	\$ 379	\$ 589	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	
FACILITY MAINT	\$ 888	\$ 761	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	
REC. BLD. HEAT	\$ -	\$ 655	\$ 525	\$ 600	
TRANSPORTATION	\$ 1,835		\$ -	\$ -	
GIRLS SOFTBALL	\$ 920	\$ 762	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	
BOYS BASEBALL	\$ 1,567	\$ 2,297	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,500	
CONSTRUCTION	\$ -	\$ 1,399	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,500	
MITEY MITES/T BALL	\$ 604	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	
SOCCER 1-4 GRADES	\$ -	\$ 136	\$ 600	\$ 1,000	
SKATING RINK	\$ 664		\$ 250	\$ 250	
MISC PROGRAMS	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000	
FIELD MOWING	\$ 6,120	\$ 6,210	\$ 6,100	\$ 6,100	
Total RECREATION	\$ 21,509	\$ 21,902	\$ 34,595	\$ 30,000	-13.28%
<b>COUNTY TAX</b>	<b>\$ 13,000</b>	<b>\$ 14,239</b>	<b>\$ 15,717</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>	<b>-4.56%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2007</b>	<b>ACTUAL 2008</b>	<b>BUDGETED 2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2010</b>	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$ 3,851	\$ 4,892	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000	
MARKETING / SPECIAL EVENTS			\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
GREEN UP	\$ 44	\$ 73	\$ 150	\$ 150	
PROPERTY MAPPING REVISIONS	\$ 4,252	\$ 1,181	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,200	
TOWN PLAN UPDATE	\$ -	\$ 800			
TOWN WIDE REAPPRAISAL	\$ 50	\$ 21,000			
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,632	\$ 2,430	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
Total OTHER	\$ 10,829	\$ 30,377	\$ 15,150	\$ 13,350	-11.88%
<b>BUDGET GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,139,376</b>	<b>\$ 1,223,654</b>	<b>\$ 1,319,630</b>	<b>\$ 1,310,736</b>	<b>-0.67%</b>

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January 9, 2009

Board of Selectmen  
Town of West Rutland  
35 Marble Street  
West Rutland, Vermont 05777

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008.

The financial statements and our report thereon are available for public inspection at the Town Manager's Office.

*Sullivan, Powers & Company*

Town of West Rutland  
Delinquent Property Taxes  
June 30,2008

Name	Previous Years	2007-2008
* Abatiell, Marc		\$1,190.71
* Ackley, Deborah		\$2,030.15
Balestra, Eugene	\$4.89	\$176.67
* Barker , Keith		\$1,416.53
** Bartlett, Philip	\$582.91	\$1,700.58
* Bletz, Donald		\$703.84
* Bowen, Loreen M		\$3,117.90
* Brewster, Todd	\$3,427.09	\$2,596.71
** Brown, Gertude	\$1,313.14	\$912.54
** Burke, John D	\$2,797.05	\$2,873.85
** Chamberland, George	\$519.12	\$785.40
** Czarnecki, Michael		\$2,591.00
** Deppert/Mountainview Dev		\$545.80
* Doaner, Andrew		\$3,796.53
** Dunchus, Donald		\$1,192.18
* Fitzgerald, Scott	\$1,039.01	\$994.23
Gallipo, Lawrence		\$1,633.17
** Grandchamp, David	\$3,019.29	\$2,114.55
* Greene, Lauretta		\$1,750.81
* Higgins, Patrick C		\$1,944.90
* Higgins, Patrick C		\$1,651.17
* Hyjek, Helen		\$357.15
** Kearney, Kevin		\$3,167.70
* Korzun, Constance		\$65.02
** Kurant, Eugene	\$584.48	\$793.32
* Lacz, Thomas		\$987.27
* Lio, Mark		\$458.95
* Lio, Mark		\$237.91
McNeil, Agnes	\$5,330.34	\$822.48
** Mills, George		\$1,278.74
* Mitowski, Steven		\$5,441.97
** National Super Service	\$620.82	
* Nickerson, Charles		\$1,010.41

Name	Previous Years	2007-2008
** Pierce, Brian		\$917.81
* Prozzo, Robert		\$98.65
Ray, John K		\$349.75
* Salgo, Jason & Lyn	\$5,925.62	\$2,532.96
** Smith, Greg	\$1,452.62	\$2,060.79
* Taylor, Tracy	\$276.39	
** Thompson, Raymond		\$2,599.83
Tilden		\$912.93
* Torres, Tina		\$971.69
Trepanier, Leo		\$687.75
* Tucker, Ellen		\$1,109.05
** Tuttle, Timothy		\$866.08
** Vahle, Barbara		\$581.21
** Webster, Teena	\$1,404.96	\$1,986.03
** Whitney, Thomas	\$222.18	\$1,834.11
* Wilk, SJ		\$8.61
* Wysolmerski, Sigismond		377.54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$28,519.91</b>	<b>68,234.93</b>
* Paid		
** Agreement		
◇ Tax Sale		

Totals do not include interest/penalty



## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

As everyone knows this has been a busy year for the road department. Some of the projects we've completed this year include: the new walkway bridge that was installed at the recreation center and the road access to the bridge. Paving of Whipple Hollow Road, thanks to the State Grant we received. Numerous paving jobs around town, including Baxter Street and Barnes Street. We also completed the sidewalk job on Ross Street. Work has been started on the cul-du-sac on Durgy Hill; this job is estimated to be completed in the spring. We have also implemented a regular maintenance schedule for the clean up of all the basins and culvert drain lines.

As always, when needed we have joined forces with the water and sewer department in the completion of joint projects or to just lend a hand.

This year we were proactive and were able to purchase all of our winter salt early at last year's prices and also hauled all of our own winter sand. Both of which saved on tax dollars.

Recently, we have joined with the towns of Proctor and Rutland Town in working with the state to be able to purchase salt brine for use in future winters.

We are also working with other local towns in implementing the sharing of equipment. This allows us and them to be able to do projects we might not have been able to do previously. It also saved the cost of purchasing or renting the equipment.

In closing, the road department would like to extend our thanks to the residents of West Rutland for all the cooperation and patience we've received during our many projects.

Frank Woolf, Road Supervisor  
Bernie Rogers, Assistant Foreman

Our main focus this past year has been preventative maintenance of our infrastructure and we have made great strides towards meeting our goals here at water and wastewater departments. Some of the highlights for the wastewater treatment facility include cleaning approximately 14,000 feet of the collection system as well as using a special TV camera to view the inside of the pipes and manholes for defects in need of repair. We were fortunate to have only found a couple of areas in need of our attention in over 7,000 feet that we targeted for inspection. With the paving projects this past summer we also rebuilt five manhole structures in our ongoing efforts to upgrade the collection system. The wastewater department has received a perfect record of compliance within our State of Vermont discharge permit by not having any violations during 2008, we work very hard to achieve these results and appreciate the support from everyone involved in making this a nice facility.

The water department has had its share of improvements, which includes the installation of new valves and a fire hydrant on Baxter Street along with the flushing and maintenance of all ninety-two hydrants in town. Repairs to an old section of water line on Pleasant Street were made due to a major leak as well as various service line leaks that we have located and since repaired resulting in a costs savings for the consumers. We repaired and calibrated approximately fifteen water meters and put back into service this past year, all of this in an effort to conserve our precious resources, which is your drinking water. Engineering has begun to alleviate concerns with regards to the PH of the Towns water supply, once we have received State approval these improvements will be implemented as soon as possible to reduce the risks associated with lead exposure so often found in the internal plumbing of older homes. The water department has also maintained a perfect record of compliance with the State of Vermont and did not have any violations occurring during 2008.

I would like to thank my team here at the water and wastewater departments for all of their hard work and dedication along with the Town Manager for her support, the select board for keeping their eye on the future and most importantly the residents of West Rutland for your never ending faith in our abilities to do a good job for you. Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have about our operation.

Sincerely,

Dennis Hillier- Water/Wastewater Supervisor  
Frank Gorham- Wastewater Assistant Chief/ Water operator  
Dave Zawistowski- Water Assistant Chief/ Wastewater operator

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

	FY 07 ACTUAL	FY 08 ACTUAL	FY 09 BUDGET	FY 10 PROPOSED	CHANGE
<b>WASTEWATER TREATMENT DEPT.</b>					
SALARIES	\$71,857.63	\$76,853.54	\$79,200	\$80,000	
HEALTH/DENTAL INSURANCE	\$21,234.51	\$24,130.28	\$19,050	\$26,900	
DISABILITY INSURANCE	\$525.84	\$421.68	\$468	\$450	
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$3,139.00	\$2,716.00	\$3,420	\$2,681	
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	\$400.00	\$640.42	\$600	\$400	
PROPERTY & LIABILITY	\$3,344.00	\$3,447.00	\$3,500	\$4,598	
F I C A	\$4,944.50	\$5,626.98	\$6,840	\$5,900	
RETIREMENT (VMERS)	\$3,202.83	\$4,137.94	\$3,960	\$4,000	
UNIFORMS	\$975.03	\$993.05	\$750	\$900	
ASSISTANT LABOR	\$122.08	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	
ADMIN REIMBURSEMENT	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$14,400	\$15,000	
DATA PROCESSING				\$600	
EQUIPMENT SAVINGS	\$24,259.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000	\$50,000	
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$1,331.62	\$1,517.57	\$800	\$800	
VEHICLE INSURANCE	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475	\$493	
VEHICLE-FUEL	\$1,529.15	\$1,872.57	\$1,900	\$1,900	
PLANT CLEANING SERVICE	\$334.15	\$125.03	\$0	\$0	
LAB CHEMICALS	\$645.61	\$836.59	\$750	\$750	
LAB EQUIPMENT	\$697.37	\$700.47	\$600	\$600	
INSTRUMENTATION & CONTROL	\$2,500.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,500	\$2,500	
SOLID WASTE REMOVAL	\$2,104.40	\$2,296.46	\$2,500	\$3,060	
LAB TESTING	\$3,444.28	\$6,815.10	\$4,500	\$4,100	
SODA ASH	\$3,027.50	\$1,515.00	\$3,105	\$2,800	
SODIUM ALLUMINATE	\$7,690.78	\$8,133.63	\$11,000	\$12,500	
UV BULBS	\$1,051.55	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$750	
TELEPHONE	\$1,221.01	\$1,245.99	\$1,600	\$1,400	
MODEM PHONE EXPENSE	\$1,588.60	\$1,623.84	\$1,800	\$1,700	
PAGING SERVICE	\$515.40	\$515.40	\$260	\$260	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$172.12	\$95.77	\$400	\$400	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$1,276.86	\$1,749.91	\$1,800	\$1,800	
TRAINING	\$440.00	\$794.00	\$600	\$600	
PLANT MAINTENANCE	\$5,139.27	\$4,900.65	\$6,000	\$6,000	
ENGINEERING/PLANNING	\$3,690.62	\$1,885.00	\$2,000	\$4,000	
HEATING FUEL	\$8,510.85	\$9,377.17	\$11,500	\$11,000	
UV ROOM HEAT	\$1,879.06	\$1,995.75	\$2,300	\$2,200	
EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE	\$696.50	\$917.56	\$1,000	\$2,000	
LAWN SERVICE	\$1,417.50	\$1,417.50	\$1,500	\$1,500	
GENERATOR MAINTENANCE			\$1,850	\$1,850	
SEWER LINE MAINTENANCE	\$7,948.97	\$5,389.56	\$7,500	\$8,500	
SLUDGE MANAGEMENT	\$39,585.00	\$39,364.00	\$53,000	\$45,000	
ANNUAL OPERATING PERMIT	\$555.98	\$651.80	\$750	\$750	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$255,473.57</b>	<b>\$289,428.21</b>	<b>\$305,178</b>	<b>\$310,642</b>	
PLANT - CVPS	\$20,243.03	\$20,078.29	\$25,000	\$25,000	
PUMP STATION MAINTENANCE	\$3,553.50	\$3,117.91	\$3,500	\$3,500	
ELM STREET	\$4,223.72	\$5,557.09	\$5,000	\$5,000	
ELM ST FUEL	\$1,248.19	\$0.00	\$1,000	\$1,000	
HARRISON AVENUE	\$2,313.97	\$2,653.10	\$2,400	\$2,400	
BARNES STREET	\$791.17	\$780.20	\$1,000	\$1,000	
BAXTER STREET	\$1,068.33	\$976.45	\$1,200	\$900	
CLARENDON AVENUE	\$1,291.04	\$1,405.33	\$1,600	\$1,600	
MAIN STREET	\$1,063.81	\$1,032.90	\$1,200	\$1,000	
THRALL AVENUE	\$970.95	\$273.58	\$500	\$400	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$36,767.71</b>	<b>\$35,874.85</b>	<b>\$42,400</b>	<b>\$41,800</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$292,241.28</b>	<b>\$325,303.06</b>	<b>\$347,578</b>	<b>\$352,442</b>	
<b>BOND PRINCIPLE &amp; INTEREST</b>	<b>\$127,025.45</b>	<b>\$127,025.45</b>	<b>\$127,025</b>	<b>\$127,025</b>	
<b>Total Wastewater Treatment Dept.</b>	<b>\$419,266.73</b>	<b>\$452,328.51</b>	<b>\$474,603</b>	<b>\$479,468</b>	<b>1.0%</b>

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND  
FY 2010 BUDGET WORKSHEET**

FY 07 ACTUAL    FY 08 ACTUAL    FY 09 BUDGET    FY 10 PROPOSED    CHANGE

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

**ADMINISTRATION**

SALARIES	\$49,481.21	\$51,235.68	\$52,800.00	\$52,800.00
ADMINISTRATIVE REIMBURSEMENT	\$10,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$9,600.00	\$10,000.00
FICA	\$3,914.87	\$3,770.72	\$4,560.00	\$4,000.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$97.49	\$200.00	\$200.00
DATA PROCESSING				\$1,200.00
ADVERTISING	\$61.40	\$172.40	\$250.00	\$250.00
CONTRIBUTIONS & SUBSIDIES	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
HEALTH/ & DENTAL INS	\$4,519.91	\$4,762.30	\$12,700.00	\$17,950.00
RETIREMENT VMERS	\$3,195.59	\$2,334.17	\$2,640.00	\$2,700.00
DISABILITY INS	\$201.12	\$178.56	\$312.00	\$300.00
PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$2,816.00	\$3,103.00	\$2,625.00	\$2,564.00
WORKERS COMP INS	\$1,880.00	\$2,416.00	\$2,380.00	\$1,787.46
UNEMPLOYMENT INS	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$250.00
CHLORINE & CHEMICALS	\$690.37	\$579.00	\$1,800.00	\$800.00
TESTING & SAMPLING	\$1,533.56	\$2,140.25	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00
PERMITS	\$3,717.05	\$3,616.99	\$3,900.00	\$3,900.00
POSTAGE	\$238.95	\$184.95	\$250.00	\$250.00

Total ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET	\$82,950.03	\$85,491.51	\$97,517.00	\$101,051.46
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**EQUIPMENT SAVINGS**

**WELL & LINE OPERATIONS**

PUMP & WELL SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
EXPENDABLE TOOLS	\$316.40	\$147.72	\$0.00	\$0.00
PHONE	\$405.31	\$607.56	\$600.00	\$600.00
PAGER SERVICE	\$215.40	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
CONTRACT SERVICES	\$3,900.00	\$3,120.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
WELL/PLANT MAINTENANCE	\$3,513.59	\$2,681.76	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
TANK MAINTENANCE	\$396.46	\$315.50	\$1,750.00	\$2,500.00
METER MAINTENANCE & TESTING	\$954.12	\$666.62	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
LINE MAINTENANCE	\$11,291.25	\$6,850.53	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
WATER CONNECTION	\$523.85	\$1,667.05	\$0.00	\$0.00
PROPANE-WELL	\$1,843.89	\$1,837.17	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
CVPS-WELLS	\$28,524.67	\$30,323.92	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
CVPS-PINE HILL	\$1,759.66	\$1,473.68	\$1,750.00	\$1,800.00
PROPANE-PINE HILL	\$372.38	\$482.68	\$400.00	\$400.00
PHONE-PINE HILL	\$352.34	\$345.18	\$375.00	\$375.00
CLARK HILL VALVE VAULT	\$1,228.57	\$649.46	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00
HYDRANT MAINTENANCE	\$397.70	\$45.25	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/RESERVE	\$11,600.00	\$11,600.00	\$11,600.00	\$11,600.00
AUTO INSURANCE				\$493.00
VEHICLE FUEL	\$1,690.04	\$1,200.50	\$1,600.00	\$1,300.00
VEHICLE MAINT.	\$514.83	\$1,065.92	\$800.00	\$800.00
UNIFORMS	\$600.00	\$500.00	\$750.00	\$600.00
TRAINING	\$667.72	\$418.50	\$600.00	\$600.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
ENGINEERING	\$115.00	\$1,306.52	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00
PUBLICATION EXPENSE-CCR	\$292.89	\$377.89	\$500.00	\$200.00

Total WELL & LINE	\$71,476.07	\$67,683.41	\$75,185.00	\$77,428.00
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BOND PRINCIPLE & INTEREST	\$180,882.00	\$180,882.00	\$180,882.00	\$180,882.00
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Total Water Department	\$335,308.10	\$334,056.92	\$353,584.00	\$359,361.46	1.6%
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Town of West Rutland  
Delinquent Utility Bills as of  
June 30, 2008

* Abatiell , Marc	\$676.87	* Lacz, Jeffrey & Robin	\$348.14
* Ackley, Deborah	\$387.60	* Lacz, Thomas & Louise	\$404.70
** Anagnos, Nicholas & Sheila	\$800.08	* Lasante William	\$338.65
Atwater, Charles	\$319.54	** Malosky, George & Bonnie	\$349.33
** Austin Charles	\$331.13	* Martell, Shawn	\$3,157.85
* Axelson, Renee	\$329.60	* Martucio, Margret& Manley	\$4.27
* Barker, Keith	\$360.00	* McClure, Jason & Jamie	\$353.73
Barker, Ronald	\$795.99	* McDevitt, Patrick Jr	\$453.68
** Barrett, Dennis	\$796.20	* McDevitt, Patrick Jr	\$191.38
* Bartlett, Philip M	\$464.90	Merrill, Jonathan & Jessica	\$2,140.87
* Bedard, Mark & Traci	\$403.53	* Mitowski, Steven & Leanne	\$2,003.44
* Bernier Therrien, Elizabeth	\$276.50	** Moore Thomas	\$512.00
* Biathrow, Howard	\$723.70	Mumford, James Jr & Jill	\$7.61
* Bills, Dale E	\$328.41	National Super Service Co	\$39,994.82
** Boynton, Michael K	\$336.15	* Nickerson Charles	\$325.18
* Bradley, Eric & Michelle	\$260.92	** O'Morrow, Matthew & Taryn	\$877.47
* Brown, Chester & Judy	\$6.24	* Perkins, Mark	\$1.57
** Burke, John	\$1,689.56	** Pierce, Brian & Beverly	\$332.10
** Chamberland, George T. Jr	\$689.98	** Prevendoski, Charles	\$354.51
* Chandler, Holly	\$348.27	* Racicot, Christen P	\$332.40
* Coombs, Francesa Giraridi	\$254.97	* Reed, Douglas	\$142.87
** Czarnecki, Michael & Kathy	\$228.58	Rosenfield, Steven	\$836.34
* Densmore, Richard	\$299.64	Rosenfield, Steven	\$1,298.42
** Deppert, Ryan	\$410.12	* Rosi, Fabio	\$11.67
* Doaner Andrew & Kevin	\$859.30	* Ryan, Eileen M	\$233.23
** Dunchus, Donald G	\$625.00	* Salgo, Jason & Lynda	\$5,422.64
* Ellison, Margaret	\$174.80	Shambo, Thomas	\$333.94
** English, Michael	\$1,163.16	* Sienicki, Phil	\$328.58
** English Tammy	\$1,116.91	** Smith Greg & Celeste	\$157.25
* Fitzgerald, Scott G	\$342.94	* Strzelec, Frank	\$4.16
** Flanders, Travis	\$539.34	* Torres, Tina	\$354.77
* Fowler, Leonard Debra	\$455.73	** Trepanier, Patrick & Sue	\$168.99
* Gadon, Jay Scott	\$623.78	** Vahle, Barbara	\$312.94
* Gallipo, Tracy	\$499.20	* Webster, Laurie	\$243.03
** Grandchamp, Betty	\$464.67	* Webster, Teena	\$245.62
* Grandchgamp, David	\$919.08	Welch, Daniel & Karen	\$409.07
** Pelkey, Wendy	\$379.69	** Whitney, Thomas & Jane	\$671.35
* Green, Russell & Diane	\$440.73	* Whitt, Gary & Priscilla	\$137.57
* Greene Lauretta	\$364.05	Wolk Steven	\$616.00
* Greene Lauretta	\$330.30	* Wysolmerski, Sigismund	\$818.18
* Gregg, Scott	\$157.25		
Hamilton, John N	\$556.79		
* Higgins, Patrick& Debora	\$1,408.76		
** Holden, William	\$637.90	<b>TOTAL</b>	56,327.13
** Johnson, Dennis	\$422.15		
** Kearney, Kevin & Kim	\$1,442.45	* PAID	
** Kellogg, Michelle	\$681.09	** AGREEMENT	
* Korzun, Constance J	\$652.15		
** Kurant, Eugene	\$321.11		



**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**07/01/2007-06/30/2008**

The Town Clerk's office is full of statistics. Here are a few.

Recording of land records was down because of slow market. 1901 pages were recorded filling 3 Land Record's Books.

Town Clerk fees were \$19,311.21. Restoration fees totaled \$2,368 and funded the restoration of burial and death vital books dating 1903-1911 at a cost of \$1,578. Selectmen's minutes from 1989-2007 were scanned and placed on CD's at a cost of \$1,592.92. This is a great tool for researching topics.

Vital Statistics are as follows: 28 Births, 26 Deaths, 16 Marriages.

We did 354 dog licenses totaling \$2904 in fees. \$354 was paid to the state for their rabies program. License costs for spayed and neutered dogs- \$12.00 and unspayed/unneutered - \$16. A rabies clinic is held every spring for the pet owner's convenience. This year's clinic will be March 14, 2009.

The Town Clerk's office is still doing vehicle registration renewals. This year we did 207 renewals. These renewals generated \$621.

The Town Clerk's Office has an open door, full service policy and we are here to serve you. Our hours are Monday through Thursday, 9AM to 4:00 PM with Friday by appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne L. Pratt Town Clerk  
Beverly Kupferer Ass't Town Clerk

## Zoning Administrators Report 2008

There have been 44 zoning permits issued this year.

3 New Single Family Homes  
6 Garages  
1 Agriculture Structure  
7 Decks and Porches  
3 Sheds  
3 Residential Additions  
1 Agriculture Structure  
6 Change of use

6 Fences  
1 Demolition  
3 Signs  
2 Subdivisions  
1 Pool  
1 Woodstove  
1 Miscellaneous

Zoning permits are required for new construction, additions, demolitions, sign, land filing and any change of use of lands or buildings. A certificate of occupancy is also required on all completed projects prior to use.

If you have any questions about zoning please call me at 802-438-2204 ext. 16, or email me at [zoning@wrutland.org](mailto:zoning@wrutland.org), I'd be glad to assist you.

My hours are Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 12:00. On Friday the hours are 12:00 to 4:00 pm.

Thank you,

Amy Loomis

Zoning Administrator

## PLANNING COMMISSION

The West Rutland Planning Commission deals with subdivisions, site plan Reviews and a continuous review of the Zoning Regulations, Subdivision Regulations and Town Plan and initiate proposals for amendments as required.

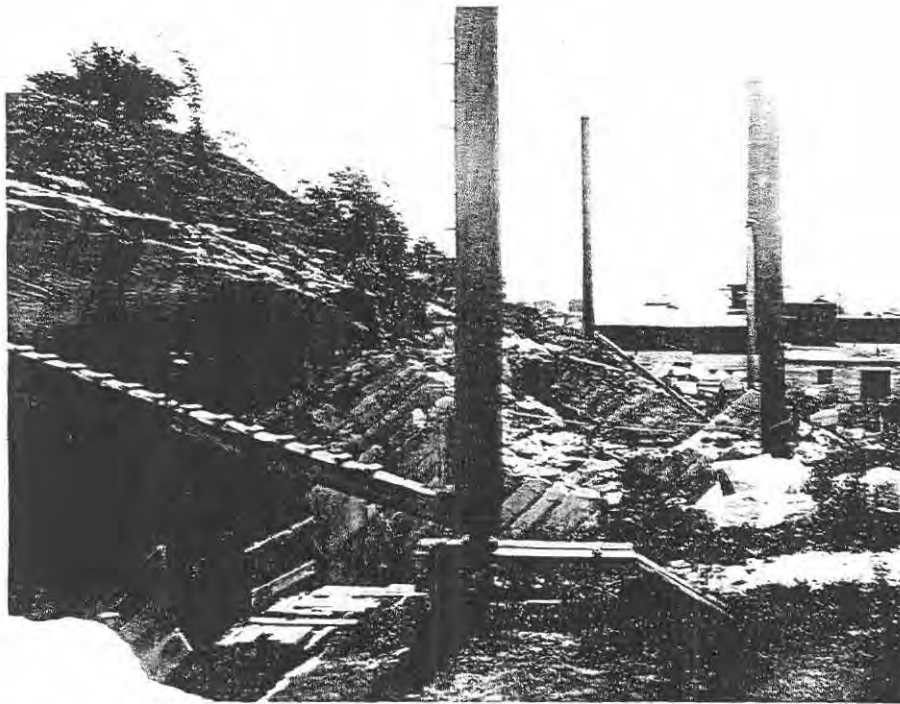
This year was full of land subdivisions and Site Plans. We are also currently working on the revisions of Town Plan. There will be Public Hearings dates posted in the newspaper, at the Post Office and Town Clerk's Office, pertaining to adoption of the Town Plan. The Board looks forward to your public input.

Our normally scheduled meetings are the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Our meetings are opened to the public. We encourage your participation in the Town's planning process. Our board consists of (5) five members: Jayne Pratt, Robert Harvey, Denis Lincoln, Linda Barker and James Mumford Jr.

If you have any questions on zoning or a matter for the Planning Commission, please contact Amy Loomis, Zoning Administrator, at 438-2204 ext. 16. Zoning Office hours are Monday through Thursday 9 AM till 12 PM except on Friday 12-4.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne L. Pratt  
Planning Commission, Chair



*Sheldon and Slasson quarry, circa 1860*

## West Rutland Historical Society

P.O. Box 385, West Rutland, VT 05777

The mission of the West Rutland Historical Society is to further the recognition of and interest in the history of West Rutland, Vermont. It will serve as a medium through which the members may collect, archive and exchange current information. The society will also serve as an educational vehicle to acquaint the general public with historical contributions of the people and of the community of West Rutland.

The West Rutland Historical Society is grateful for support from the Town of West Rutland. Our space in Town Hall and Internet access have contributed to growth and development for the Society.

Program highlights during 2008 included the publication of a booklet focusing on the history of Whipple Hollow, with a bus tour of the area, a look back at town celebration of the U.S. Bicentennial in 1976 and a presentation at the Vermont Historical Society Expo in June, with help from NeighborWorks of Western Vermont, documenting the history of the Kazon Building. The Society was proud to participate in the year-long celebration of the West Rutland Town Hall Centennial. We maintain an ongoing, rotating display in Town Hall and continue to work on cataloging the Society collection.

Officers and Trustees for 2008 were:

President, David O'Rourke; Vice-President, Mary Reczek; Treasurer, Barbara Trepanier; Secretary, Jayne Pratt; Board of Trustees- Judy Crowley, Peter Kulig, Chris Mathewson and Red Sutkoski.

The West Rutland Historical Society is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization. Meetings are held at Town Hall and we invite anyone with an interest in the history of West Rutland to attend. Membership applications are available in the Victor and Ethel Seigny Town Clerk's office.

## FRIENDS OF THE WEST RUTLAND TOWN HALL

PO Box 591

West Rutland, Vermont 05777

Balance July 1, 2007                      \$ 1976.72

### Receipts

General Fund	\$ 64,805.21*
Friendship Tree	\$ 1131.00
Fund Drive	\$ 2560.50
Bake Sale	\$ 0.00
Tasting Supper	\$ 2661.00
Town Hall Model	\$ 0.00
Chair Fund	\$ 4200.00
Total Receipts	\$ 75,357.71

### Expenses

General Fund	\$ 70,316.25**
Friendship Tree	\$ 465.48
Fund Drive	\$ 200.00
Bake Sale	\$ 0.00
Tasting Supper	\$ 748.98
Town Hall Model	\$ 0.00
Chair Fund	\$ 4200.00
Total Expenses	\$ 75,930.71

\* \$45,188.70 was transferred from the Heritage Money Market Fund

\*\* \$5000 was transferred to the Heritage Money Market Fund

Balance June 30, 2008                      \$ 1403.72

### Current Assets (Oct. 1, 2008)

Checking Account	\$2,016.42
Pending Deposite	
Heritage Fam. Svgs	\$26.43
Heritage Fam. MM	\$8392.71
	\$10,435.56

The auditorium is usable again! Work started in 1986 with the goal of having it ready for our centennial in 2008. We made it, with a wonderful display of fireworks at our Christmas celebration. Although more work is left to be done, such as window coverings and air conditioning, the stage has been used several times, by the Marble Valley Players, the West Rutland School Drama Club, and others.

Many thanks for the support received so far, and we continue to work to accomplish the last few details.

If anyone would like more information about the Friends of the Town Hall, please call the town office at 483-2263.



WEST RUTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY  
595 MAIN STREET  
WEST RUTLAND, VT. 05777

THE WEST RUTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY THANKS THE TOWN FOR THEIR SUPPORT. WE HAVE BECOME A BUSY LIBRARY--WITH OUR CIRCULATION AT AN ALL TIME HIGH. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF HIRING AN ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN. ONE WHO CAN DO WORKSHOPS,-- HAS GOOD COMPUTER SKILLS--WORKS WELL WITH CHILDREN AND ADULTS. WITH OUR COLLECTION OF 10,000 BOOKS, IT TAKES TIME TO LEARN WHAT & WHERE EVERYTHING IS IN THE LIBRARY. WE HOPE TO HAVE A GREAT PERSON ON BOARD SOON.

MANY THANKS FOR DONATIONS & TIME:  
1-KATHY BUDD--STORY TIME WED. AT 11am.  
2-JOSEPH BOWEN-AUDIO BOOKS.  
3-PATRICK McDEVITT--FIXING COMPUTERS.  
4-SOHIE CHAPLA-KERRI ALLEN-DEBBIE ACKLEY-TYLER  
BATHALON-JOYCE LaVICTORIRE-BOOKS -TAPES-VIDIOS-DVDS.  
5-TO EVERY ONE FOR ALL DONATIONS  
6-JOAN GREENWOOD FOR ALL HER TIME & HELP.

WITH A DONATION FROM GOLDIE NELSON, THE LIBRARY HAD NEW CARPETING PUT IN--IT WAS BADLY NEEDED. MANY THANKS, GOLDIE.

WE ARE HAVING A NEW BOOK BIN MADE FOR CHILDREN BOOKS WITH A DONATION FROM PATRICIA McCORMACK. MANY THANKS, TESS.

THIS YEAR WE ARE 80 YEARS OLD & HAVE BEEN HAPPY TO PROVIDE BOOKS TO THE TOWN SINCE JANUARY 1929.

WE ARE OPEN MON.-WED-& FRI.=1:30 TO 5pm.  
TUES. & THURS. 1:30 TO 7pm.

COME VISIT US. BARBARA WISKOSKI  
LIBRARIAN

West Rutland Free Library Corp.  
Schedule of Expenses  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

**Payroll and Benefits:**

Salaries and Wages	\$ 18,611
Payroll Taxes	<u>1,424</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>20,035</u>

**Books, Magazines and Videos:**

Adult Books	1,157
Juvenile Books	1,204
Magazines	653
Videos	<u>1,556</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>4,570</u>

**Other Operating Expenses:**

Electricity	1,364
Heating Oil	6,410
Insurance	2,146
Maintenance	2,100
Sundries	1,638
Patron Programs	86
Telephone	613
Postage and Box	155
Office Supplies	-
Sewer and Water	793
Safe Deposit Box	50
Petty Cash	300
Miscellaneous	<u>104</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>15,759</u>

<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ <u>40,364</u></b>
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West Rutland Free Library Corp.  
Statement of Activity and Fund Balance  
As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2008

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>
Revenues:			
Town of West Rutland	\$ 31,600	\$ -	\$ -
Minnie E. Proctor Trust	9,000	-	-
Contributions and Grants	3,000	-	-
Book Sale and Miscellaneous	412	-	-
Interest and Dividends	<u>3,397</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenues	47,409	-	-
Operating Expenses - Schedule Attached	<u>(40,364)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenses and Other	7,045	-	-
Improvements and Equipment	(6,458)	-	-
Capital Loss on Investments	(17,468)	(4,033)	-
Transfer from Restricted for Improvements	<u>6,458</u>	<u>(6,458)</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in Fund Balance	(10,423)	(10,491)	-
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>22,877</u>	<u>67,451</u>	<u>32,333</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>12,454</u>	<u>56,960</u>	<u>32,333</u>
Fund Balance Consists of:			
Checking Account	698	-	-
Savings Account	5,474	-	-
Putnam Money Market	6,282	31,727	-
Putnam Investments	<u>-</u>	<u>25,233</u>	<u>32,333</u>
Total of Accounts	<u>\$ 12,454</u>	<u>\$ 56,960</u>	<u>\$ 32,333</u>



West Rutland Fire Department  
P.O. Box 206  
West Rutland, VT 05777

**2008-2009 Annual Report of the Fire Chief**

It is my honor once again to provide the Annual Report of the Fire Chief to the citizens of the Town of West Rutland. It is with great pleasure that I report that our fire department is in its 118<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Town, and continues to provide our citizens with high quality professional emergency responses to fire, rescue, and hazardous material incidents throughout the past year. Once again I am fortunate to report that the town incurred no loss of life or serious injury due to fire during the past year. This year we were fortunate to see a decrease in call volume, however, we do not expect this to be a continuing trend.

The Fire Department's Fire Prevention Program continued once again this year during Fire Prevention Week and taught our students valuable fire safety lessons. This year, West Rutland School students visited the fire station for this event. I encourage parents to discuss fire safety with your children to continue these lessons at home.

Our department is served by a group of very dedicated volunteers who continue to spend countless hours each year responding to emergency calls, enhancing their skills by training, and performing maintenance on our facility and equipment. In the past year, they have provided the following hours of volunteer service:

Emergency Call Responses:	699 hours
Department Meetings:	126 hours
Training:	306 hours
Station & Equipment Inspection & Maintenance:	211 hours

Our firefighters supplement the fire department's operating budget by fund raising each year. In the past year, we took on a project to outfit each of our firefighters with forest fire gear. In addition, the firefighters were able to purchase all of the materials for our fire prevention education program.

Any West Rutland resident who is interested in serving our community as a firefighter can obtain more information by contacting Chief Joseph Skaza. I would like to thank the citizens of the Town of West Rutland for their continued support of our efforts and our firefighters for their dedication and commitment to our community.

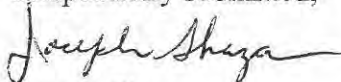
### Current Firefighter Roster

<i>Name</i>	<i>Years of Service</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Years of Service</i>
Joseph Skaza, <i>Chief</i>	36	Lori Lyons	12
Steve Czachor, <i>Fire Warden</i>	30	Michelle Bailey	11
Larry Smith, <i>1st Ass't Chief</i>	24	Brian Notte	11
Thomas Lacz, <i>2nd Ass't Chief</i>	21	Scott FitzGerald	8
Christopher Jakubiak	21	Rodney Kenyon	7
Pete Guay	17	Jeffery Vos	3
Jeff Lacz	15	Michael Vos	1
Michael Skaza, <i>Clerk</i>	15	Thomas Lacz, Jr.	1

### 2008 Call Volume Breakdown

Motor Vehicle Accidents	13	Hazardous Materials Incidents	2
Fire Alarm Activations	8	Medical Assist/Assist EMS	2
Mutual Aid Responses	10	Unfounded Calls	2
Motor Vehicle Fires	5	Outside Fires	2
Smoke Conditions in Building	4	Structure Fires	1
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	4	Odor Investigations	1
Electrical Fires	3	Persons Trapped in Elevator	2
Swamp, Grass, & Brush Fires	3	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62</b>

Respectfully submitted,



Joseph Skaza  
Chief

#### ***Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors save lives!***

Make sure that you have working smoke detectors near your bedrooms and on every level of the home. You should have at least one carbon monoxide detector near your bedrooms. Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.

#### ***Dial 9-1-1 to report an emergency!***

Please be sure that your correct address number is posted on your house and visible from the roadway. Incorrect or missing address numbers cause delays in receiving help! If you are unsure of what your correct address number is, please call the Town Office.



## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Recreation Department completes its first full FY with a part-time recreation director. The program has been growing slowly over the past year. New programs to the recreation include, power cooking, women's fitness, coed volleyball, travel soccer, and travel basketball. The recreation area also got a huge make over thanks to the local Eagle Scouts. We now have two new baseball dugouts courtesy of Alex Yale, a new play area for children by George Mills, and a sand volleyball court by Kristian McFarren. We have also added the Town Farm Trail, a new one-mile loop off the soccer field offering another component of recreation including hiking and snowshoeing. The Recreation phone number is active and has voicemail to leave messages 438-2406 or email at [recreation@westrutlandtown.com](mailto:recreation@westrutlandtown.com).

### PROGRAM WORK PLAN

Programming for the FY 2009 will bring many new activities while trying to expand and improve the existing ones. We are looking to have a town wide yard sale in May, a town BBQ in August, and hope to start showing family oriented movies at the town hall. We hope to start a community garden with the hopes of having a local farmers market.

Most of the focus for new programming will be family oriented and community based activities. We had some successful events last year and we hope to develop more and more frequent events. Any feedback or suggestions are welcome.

The Recreation committee will have quarterly meeting to discuss what the community would like to see in the future. All community members are welcome to join and give their input. The times and dates will be posted on the town website.

Thank you for you continued support to keep recreation a priority within our community.

Sincerely,  
Scott Maxham  
Recreation Director

## West Rutland School Principal's Report

West Rutland School continues to focus on the curriculum. The challenge has been to offer more variety as well as raise the rigor in courses to our students and still maintain a conservative budget. The good news is that we now offer four Advanced Placement courses as well as two new science courses. Last year we added Forensics and this year we added Vermont Ecology.

The Language Arts department has increased the offerings with a new course called Literature and the Community. Art is delving into digital media with a Photoshop course offered to middle school students. In addition, we added a course that is designed to help students keep up with the state NECAP testing. The course addresses the needs of students in writing, reading, and mathematics and is designed for ninth graders.

Maintenance continues to be a focus for the third year in a row. This summer we replaced the roof on the "little league shack" as well as sealed numerous age cracks on the exterior of the gym.

Upgrading the heating system and saving energy has been one of the goals of the maintenance department. The original 1928 windows in the old gym were replaced this past summer with new energy efficient windows. Control Technologies was hired to do a complete inspection and inventory of the needs of the forty unit-ventilators as well as the exhaust system. The exhaust system was brought back to working condition before school started in August. Work continues in classrooms and other areas to rebuild and recondition the unit-vents allowing for better heating and ventilating. The gym and locker rooms have also seen a great deal of work on the exhaust and heating systems.

If you have visited the school since last summer, you have probably noticed the addition of the American flag proudly flying on the new flag pole overlooking the athletic fields. The new pole was made possible by donations from the Sons of the American Legion and the West Rutland Rotary. One of our seniors/Eagle Scout, Michael Moser, has been working with the primary students to see that the flag is raised each morning. Michael has also been teaching the primary students the proper handling of the American flag.

West Rutland was honored to host the first school-based Vermont Special Olympics Soccer Tournament. Schools sent Unified Sports teams from all over the state to participate in soccer games and skill events. Members of the West Rutland School student body and faculty, as well as numerous members of the area law enforcement agencies, volunteered their time to help make the day a success.

Being a K-12 school makes West Rutland unique in Rutland County. The school's action plan continues to focus on taking advantage of the K-12 uniqueness. As part of the senior life skills class, seniors spend several hours each week working with younger students tutoring them in basic skills. Students in high school mathematics classes have been doing projects with elementary and middle school classes that have helped students stay excited about learning mathematics. Students in high school chemistry classes have been working with younger students on various exciting projects with the goal of getting more students into science classes.

Have you ever heard of Letterboxing? No, then ask a West Rutland primary student. Three groups of K-12 students and teachers have been working to create letterboxes that are going to be hidden on the new recreation trail. You will have to go the Web to find directions to their locations. This project is involving students in geography, geology, botany, technology, physiology, and mathematics.

In closing, I want to thank the West Rutland community for the continued support of their school. You have all helped to make West Rutland a great place to live and learn.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Bowen III  
Principal

### TEACHING PERSONNEL

The list of teachers for the school year 2008-2009 with years of experience, subjects taught and salary is as follows:

Name	Grade or Subject	Salary 2008-2009	Years of Experience
Gary L. Ackerman	Information Science/Technology	43,897.00 80%	20.0
Karen C. Ames	Grades 5 and 6	46,784.00	15.0
Brian W. Audet	Middle School Math	39,348.00	6.0
Mary E. Beaulieu	Grade 3	50,502.00	21.0
Edward R. Bove	High School History	48,643.00	15.0
Joseph P. Bowen, III	Principal	90,992.00	36.0
Suzanne I. Brewster	School Nurse	35,940.00	9.0
Nancy Burke-Bruno	Grades 5 and 6	40,588.00	8.0
Michael J. Caliguiri	High School Science	57,009.00	39.0
Dawn T. Charron	Library/Media	49,263.00	22.0
Kyri R. Cimonette	Special Educator	46,784.00	13.0
Marie P. Coombs	Kindergarten	58,558.00	28.0
Kathleen F. Cunningham	Guidance Counselor	62,601.00	28.0
Dawn R. Daley	Grades 1 and 2	58,558.00	28.0
Mary Fagan DeOquendo	Spanish/AP English	52,361.00	19.0
Laura Beth DesJardins	High School Science	34,701.00	4.0
Wendi Dowst	Middle School English\	37,180.00	0.0
Carol A. Dziubek	Special Educator	58,558.00	32.0
Samantha L. Gilmore	Physical Education	33,462.00	2.0
Nicole D. Graves	Grades K-6 Art	40,898.00	3.0
Robert F. Hammond	High School English	44,616.00	11.0
Joseph H. Harrington	Associate Principal	66,421.00	19.0
Joy A. Hart	Special Educator	58,558.00	24.0
Richard J. Hart	Grades 5 and 6	51,122.00	18.0
Michelle P. Harte	Grade 3	39,658.00	11.8
Philip M. Henry	Music/Chorus	37,180.00	9.0
Linda T. Johnson	Middle School Science	58,558.00	42.0
Scott A. Maxham	Physical Education	41,517.00	12.0
Rene L. McIntyre	High School Math	33,462.00	2.0
Dennis S. McLaughlin	Middle School Social Studies	35,011.00	5.0
Michelle L. Merrill	Grades 1 and 2	33,462.00	2.0
Mary P. Ojala	Kindergarten	58,558.00	26.0
Christine M. Pawlusiak	Grade 4	50,812.00	19.0
Julia K. Pipeling	High School Math	41,828.00	9.0
Carol M. Protivansky	Art, Grades 7-12	47,404.00	14.0
Robert L. Roth	Music/Band	32,976.00 78.0%	5.0
Wanda Kay Spatzer	Integration Specialist	58,558.00	29.0
Antonette A. Stickney	Physical Education Grades K-5	38,063.00 65.0%	25.0
Erin E. Therrien	Grades 1 and 2	35,011.00	4.0
Kathleen A. Turgeon	Grade 4	52,981.00	24.0
Robin J. Turner	Special Educator	51,742.00	19.0
Kari D. Williams	High School English	34,701.00	4.0

**EXTRA CURRICULAR  
2008-2009**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Salary</b>
Scott Maxham	Boys Varsity Soccer	\$2,750
Don Dunchus	Boys J.V. Soccer	\$1,000
Thomas Lacz	7th & 8th Grade Boys Soccer	\$500
Dwight Ackerman	5th & 6th Grade Boys Soccer	\$500
Laura DesJardins	Girls' Varsity Soccer	\$1,750
Barb Pennington	7th & 8th Grade Girls Soccer	\$700
Kyle Vickers	5th & 6th Grade Girls Soccer	\$500
Duane Dickinson	High School Level Cross Country	\$500
Michael Lufkin	Boys Varsity Basketball	\$2,250
Don Dunchus	J.V. Boys Basketball	\$1,000
Carl Serrani	Girls Varsity Basketball	\$3,250
Samantha Gilmore	J.V. Girls Basketball	\$1,000
Mark Carboneau	7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball	\$600
Michelle Merrill	7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball	\$600
	5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball	
Peter Baird	5th & 6th Grade Girls Basketball	\$500
Heather Hinckley	Varsity Cheerleading	\$1,250
Ed Bove	Grades 5/6 Spelling	
	Senior Class Advisor	\$600
Mary Margaret deOquendo	National Honor Society	\$200
Robert Hammond	Drama	\$500
Robert Roth	Band	\$600
Robert Roth	Jazz Band	\$175
Phil Henry	Chorus	\$600
Phil Henry	Select Chorus	\$250
Phil Henry	Jazz Band	\$175
Joyce Anderson	Student Council Advisor	\$300
Mickey Caliguiri	Boys Varsity Baseball	\$2,750
Paul Dunchus	Girls Varsity Softball	\$2,250
Ed Bove	Licensing Board	\$300
Linda Johnson	Licensing Board	\$300

**Rutland Central Supervisory Union Notice  
Handicapped Children  
Ages 0-21 Years  
2008-2009**

The Rutland Central Supervisory Union (Proctor, Rutland Town and West Rutland) in meeting the requirements of its local Education Agency Plan, is attempting to identify any and all area resident children between the ages of 0-21 years who may be considered handicapped. Also any person between the ages of 3 and 21, who is in need of special education and related services, is entitled to a free and appropriate public education. It is possible that the Rutland Central Supervisory Union may not be aware of the residence of all handicapped children. If you know of a child who might be eligible for educational services and is not in school, please notify Pamela J. Reed, Director of Student Educational Services, 257 South Main Street, Suite 1, Rutland, Vermont 05701, or phone 775-4342.

Any parent of a child who attends a school that receives Title I funds has the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's teacher (NCLB). Contact the Rutland Central Supervisory Union office for further information.

**NOTIFICATION OF MANAGEMENT PLAN AVAILABILITY**

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (40 CFR 763.93 [g] [4]) requires that written notice be given that the following schools have management plans for the safe control and maintenance of asbestos-containing materials found in their buildings. These management plans are available and accessible to the public at the administrative office of each facility listed below:

- Rutland Central Supervisory Union, 257 South Main Street, Suite 1, Rutland, Vermont 05701, Telephone 775-4342.
- Proctor Elementary Schools, School Street, Proctor, Vermont 05765 – Telephone 459-2225.
- Proctor High School, Park Street, Proctor, Vermont 05765 – Telephone 459-3353.
- Rutland Town Elementary School, Post Road, Rutland, Vermont 05701 – Telephone 775-0566.
- West Rutland School, Main Street, West Rutland, Vermont 05777 – Telephone 438-2288.



**Rutland Central Supervisory Union  
Towns of Proctor, Rutland Town, & West Rutland  
Central Office Functions**

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve the Rutland Central Supervisory Union over the past year as Superintendent. In place of the traditional annual report, this year the Rutland Central Supervisory Union Board (Proctor, Rutland Town, and West Rutland) members asked me to outline the role of the supervisory union central office in the overall governance of our three towns. This report includes information that was provided a number of years ago by then Superintendent John Kaldy.

Our schools are in effect people businesses whose charge is the development of human potential. Schools are a reflection of our society. Changes in our society has resulted in more extensive and complex demands being placed upon our school system today from the demands of even just 10 or 15 years ago. Education of students in today's schools requires us to pay attention to many of the things typically thought of as well as topics ranging from school safety to service for children from birth to age five to providing English as a second language services.

The RCSU Central Office is designed and staffed to provide high quality leadership, coordination, and support to member districts in meeting these responsibilities and others. The Rutland Central supervisory Union has 240 employees throughout the four schools. There are 10 employees within the central office. Here are some of the things the supervisory union central office does in specific areas:

- **Financial Management**

- Assist member districts in developing accurate annual budgets in a timely manner.
- Assist principals and school boards in overseeing the implementation of the budget including projecting revenues and expenditures throughout the year.
- Secure the best insurance coverage for the lowest cost.
- Implement a payroll system (250 employees) that pays staff on time and accurately and provides for required government reports in an accurate and efficient manner.
- Support local districts getting the maximum advantage of grants (competitive and non-competitive).
- Assist member districts in developing and implementing building projects.
- Establish investment strategies that assure adequate cash flow and generate additional revenue.
- Present financial recommendations to the school boards.
- Coordinate annual audits: notice to firms, compilation of bids received, award letters/reject letters to firm, assistance in scheduling and problem resolution, preparation of materials, on site assistance, reports to Boards, etc.
- Compile annual financial reports from various sources, verification, direct assistance as needed, and preparation and filing of Annual Statistical Reports.
- Advance payment on behalf of districts for invoices, such as insurance premiums, that require immediate payment (before the Board can authorize payment) with subsequent preparation of vouchers for reimbursement.
- Complete unemployment forms, disability and workers' compensation claims.

- Assist employees enrollment on benefits plans i.e. BC/BS, dental and life as well as Section 125, and 403(b). Manage all of these plans.
  - Monitor Teachers Retirement for districts in the RCSU.
  - Prepare Special Education Financial Reports.
  - Monitor Quarterly Unemployment reports and invoices.
  - Prepare and distribute 1099's.
  - Apply for, monitor and amend state and federal grants.
  - Prepare weekly accounts payable warrants for all the districts.
- **Human Resource Management**
    - Assist member districts in recruiting and hiring qualified candidates.
    - Administer the employee insurance, retirement, and leave benefits.
    - Prepare and monitor all staff contracts.
    - Support the development and administration of appropriate wage and salary structures.
    - Provide collective bargaining support for member districts.
    - Assist member districts in developing a high quality personnel related policies and procedures.
    - Design and implement a management information system that supports human resources functions.
- **Educational Leadership**
    - Coordinate leadership and direction for all schools.
    - Work with member districts to establish student performance goals and common ways to measure performance on those goals.
    - Establish and support administrative team meetings to deliberate and advise on issues of common interest and needs in the supervisory union.
    - Organize and coordinate curriculum committee meetings and activities.
    - Prepare, duplicate, and disseminate curriculum guides and documents.
    - Provide leadership for identifying curriculum development needs and maintaining curriculum development plans.
    - Coordinate and facilitate support activities for curriculum implementation.
    - Plan, coordinate, and contract for graduate course offerings.
    - Provide support and supervision to principals for evaluation of teachers.
- **Special Education**
    - Provide training and technical assistance to special educators, principals, and boards in member districts in areas related to legal requirements, roles and responsibilities and best practice for providing students with disabilities.
    - Design and implement an accurate and efficient paperwork process that results in required reports being submitted on time and accurately.
    - Recruit, supervise, and evaluate special educators and staff, and support local districts in the hiring process.
    - Participate as needed in Education Planning Team and Individual Education Plan Team meetings as a representative for the school district.

- Coordinate psychological assessments for all preschool-Grade 12 students and follow-up as needed.
  - Prepare/file IDEA, EEE, Early Education initiative, and the federal and state grants.
  - Review and synthesize data for quarterly, annual, and special financial and programming reports for special education.
  - Prepare/filing of annual Special Education Service Plan to the Department of Education.
  - Assist in the development of alternative programs in order to provide a continuum of services for special education students.
  - Serve as liaison for special education issues with the Vermont Department of Education.
  - Serve as a resource to the district for state and federal special education regulations and state policies. Insure that laws, policies, and procedures are followed.
  - Prepare and distribute to all staff an updated and current special education manual.
  - Coordinate the district EPSDT Medicaid program.
  - Supervise the IEP Medicaid reimbursement and reinvestment program.
  - Maintain files for every special education student.
  - Obtain special education legal advice for school districts, represent district as needed for legal issues.
  - Publish required notices, Child Find, etc.
  - Develop and implement in-service training for teachers, staff, and administration.
  - Lead the district in the development and supervision of the Para Educator training program.
  - Conduct on-going, long-range planning for special education services throughout the district.
- **Early Education**
    - Coordinate an Early Education Program for pre-school, handicapped, and at-risk students, or assisting in alternative arrangements.
    - Screen all 3-5 year olds and 0-3 year olds upon request.
    - Prepare Early Education sites and programs for state licensing and ensure continued eligibility.
    - Coordinate continuum of services with other collaborative partners such as Head Start, Even Start and Early Childhood Family Infant/Toddler Administrative Teams.
    - Prepare each Center for accreditation by the STARS program.
- **General Administration**
    - Prepare RCSU board agendas.
    - Participate in all regular and special board meetings.
    - Prepare and distribute Board meeting's minutes.
    - Prepare warnings for three (3) annual and any Special Town Meetings, placing notices in newspapers as needed.
    - Coordinate/submit school reports, warnings, enrollment reports, and budgets to Town Auditors.
    - Verify prior employment of former employees with new employers.

- Collect data and prepare state-required annual ADM (average daily membership) report.
- Write policies and procedures for Board consideration and adoption.
- Carry out policies adopted by each school district.
- Represent the School District in dealings with the state, other school districts, etc.
- Coordinate transportation contracts.
- File OSHA paper work for all districts.
- File state reports of School registers of student attendance.
- Provide coordination for all insurance (including property insurance, transportation insurance, liability insurance, workers compensation, etc.): liaison between agent and district, general correspondence, checking invoices; dealing with billing problems, types of coverage, etc.
- Review and process a variety of reports (Civil Rights reports, VT Department of Education staff data sheets, equalized yield verifications, vocational assessment verifications, etc.).
- Administer grant programs (Title II, Title IV, Title V, etc.) and discretionary/categorical grants to provide research and planning for professional development activities.
- Conduct required Criminal Records Check.
- Coordinate Medicaid (both EPSDT and IEP) paperwork and claims.
- Work with attorneys on legal matters pertinent to each district.
- Develop comprehensive emergency plans for every school.

In our local communities citizen school board members are elected to guide and monitor all of the work identified above on behalf of their community school. Board members bring vision and values and a sincere desire to make a difference. It is an important and difficult role, carried out by volunteers in public view, controlling a complex organization in uncertain economic, political and social environments. The work involves many meetings which take place in the evening. Board members work closely with the school and supervisory union administrators as a team to carryout the broad scope of responsibilities resting within their jurisdiction.

All of us in the Rutland Central Supervisory Union central office are very proud to be a part of this team effort – working to support your community, your school, and your children in meeting all of the challenges that we face. We are appreciative of the opportunity to work on behalf of your children. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Karen White*

Karen White  
RCSU Superintendent

**RUTLAND CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION**

**257 South Main Street - Suite 1  
Rutland, Vermont 05701-4913**

Office of the Superintendent

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January 12 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

The Town of West Rutland School District audit of the financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008 by A. M. Peisch & Company, LLP is in process. Copies of the report will be available for review at the Town Hall upon completion of the audit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cheryl M. Scarzello".

Cheryl M. Scarzello  
Business Manager



**RUTLAND CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION**  
**Three Year Budget Detail**

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Budget	2009/10 Budget
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
<u>1200</u> <u>Direct Instruction</u>			
Wages	\$ 137,077	\$ 159,282	\$ 120,318
Benefits	38,867	25,540	17,087
Purchased service	2,400	-	-
Advertising	200	200	200
Travel	750	750	750
Workshops	500	500	750
Educational supplies	20,447	12,700	6,500
Total Direct Instruction	200,241	198,972	145,605
 <u>2120</u> <u>Student Support</u>			
Wages	1,500	-	-
Benefits	116	-	-
Home / School coordinators	131,139	148,603	145,789
SAP counselors	61,789	67,217	67,406
Behavior specialist	-	-	8,200
Truancy specialist	6,000	-	-
Transition Services	35,000	11,000	10,800
Travel	-	-	-
Supplies	-	-	-
Total Student Support	235,544	226,820	232,195
 <u>2133</u> <u>Dental Hygiene</u>			
Wages	9,464	8,707	9,055
Benefits	1,025	784	815
Total Dental Hygiene	10,489	9,491	9,870
 <u>2140</u> <u>Psychological Services</u>			
Wages	65,000	67,600	70,304
Benefits	13,739	14,263	16,041
Travel	1,200	1,200	2,500
Purchased service	3,000	3,000	-
Supplies	1,800	1,800	2,500
Total Psychological	84,739	87,863	91,345

**RUTLAND CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION**  
**Three Year Budget Detail**

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Budget	2009/10 Budget
<u>2150</u> <u>Speech Language Services</u>			
Wages	85,566	34,901	39,391
Benefits	8,899	3,587	4,083
Travel	-	-	-
Purchased Service	-	-	16,150
Supplies	1,000	2,000	1,000
Total Speech Language	95,465	40,488	60,624
 <u>2190</u> <u>Occupational / Physical Therapy</u>			
Wages	49,853	51,853	53,927
Benefits	13,093	13,038	14,358
Travel	-	-	600
Purchased Service	-	-	76,420
Total OT/PT	62,946	64,891	145,305
 <u>2200</u> <u>Staff Support</u>			
Wages	204,015	138,276	100,591
Benefits	54,036	30,516	16,559
Professional development	6,000	5,000	4,200
Evaluation	8,500	8,500	-
Communications	480	480	-
Travel	10,400	4,400	3,750
Supplies	16,875	14,375	15,500
Technology equipment	13,000	4,800	4,000
Dues & fees	-	-	-
Total Staff Support	313,306	206,347	144,600
 <u>2300</u> <u>General Administration</u>			
Wages	160,148	152,905	147,081
Benefits	49,422	60,760	43,708
Audit	10,000	10,500	13,000
Computer purchased service	5,000	5,000	-
Legal fees	-	200	750
Board secretary	200	200	-
Repairs and maintenance	150	400	1,500
Rent and utilities	37,290	39,000	46,800

**RUTLAND CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION**  
**Three Year Budget Detail**

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Budget	2009/10 Budget
Copier contract	6,700	8,100	8,850
Liability insurance	2,000	3,200	3,500
Telephone and postage	11,000	8,000	10,000
Travel and conferences	2,500	3,000	3,000
Supplies & equipment	20,400	20,250	18,250
Dues and fees	3,500	3,500	3,750
Contingency	750	750	700
Total General Administration	309,060	315,765	300,889
<u>2400</u> <u>Area Administration</u>			
Wages	100,216	101,528	107,228
Benefits	42,038	40,529	45,796
Collaborative cost	1,200	1,200	4,300
Travel	3,000	3,000	4,000
Supplies	4,000	4,000	2,500
Dues & fees	250	250	450
Total Area Administration	150,704	150,507	164,274
<u>2510</u> <u>Fiscal Services</u>			
Wages	151,793	131,646	178,108
Benefits	57,009	55,433	64,234
Computer contracts	7,800	7,800	11,500
Purchased service	-	20,285	24,800
Travel	1,500	1,500	1,500
Equipment	5,000	3,000	2,500
Dues & fees	275	275	400
Total Fiscal Service	223,377	219,939	283,042
<u>2600</u> <u>Maintenance</u>			
Wages	8,236	7,500	7,750
Benefits	1,029	780	988
Rent (Even Start)	927	927	-
Total Maintenance	10,192	9,207	8,738
 Total Budget	 1,696,063	 1,530,290	 1,586,487
 Even Start Sub Grants	 172,323	 172,323	 -
 Total Expenses	 \$     1,868,386	 \$     1,702,613	 \$     1,586,487

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - Budgetary Basis  
(unaudited)  
GENERAL FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Budget	Actual (Unaudited)	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Subgrants	\$ 155,771	\$ -	\$ (155,771)
State Aid	\$ 4,342,030	\$ 4,566,595	\$ 224,565
Other Income	\$ 396,600	\$ 526,665	\$ 130,065
Total Revenues	\$ 4,894,401	\$ 5,093,259	\$ 198,858
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Regular Instruction	\$ 2,261,083	\$ 2,154,762	\$ 106,321
Athletics	\$ 62,135	\$ 56,976	\$ 5,159
Special Education	\$ 910,487	\$ 1,135,691	\$ (225,204)
Vocational Education	\$ 139,268	\$ 138,410	\$ 858
Student Support Services	\$ 92,379	\$ 38,625	\$ 53,754
Guidance Services	\$ 119,638	\$ 105,912	\$ 13,726
Health Services	\$ 54,929	\$ 55,373	\$ (444)
Library and Media Service	\$ 82,071	\$ 77,790	\$ 4,281
General Administration	\$ 196,115	\$ 207,299	\$ (11,184)
School Administration	\$ 265,421	\$ 283,908	\$ (18,487)
Fiscal Services	\$ 20,799	\$ 26,513	\$ (5,714)
Building Maintenance	\$ 485,711	\$ 561,319	\$ (75,608)
Debt Service	\$ 113,690	\$ 111,851	\$ 1,839
Fund Transfer	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Pupil Transportation	\$ 90,675	\$ 86,349	\$ 4,326
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,894,401	\$ 5,040,778	\$ (146,377)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ 52,481	\$ 52,481
<b>OTHER USES OF FUNDS:</b>			
Transfer to Capital Projects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue less expenditures and other uses of funds		\$ 52,481	
Fund Balance at July 1, 2007		\$ 97,811	
Fund Balance at June 30 2008		<u>\$ 150,292</u>	

**RUTLAND CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION**  
**Three Year Budget Detail**

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Budget	2009/10 Budget
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
Grants:			
Title One	140,918	70,810	99,936
Title Two	143,052	116,056	127,600
Title IV	13,789	17,217	10,606
Title V	6,000	2,000	-
IDEA	258,132	221,389	286,960
EEEP	56,319	66,128	-
Medicaid	240,665	196,838	149,035
EPSDT	12,105	9,491	9,870
Tobacco Prevention	5,458	5,000	7,500
Vt. Dept. of Health	48,000	45,000	45,000
Misc. small grants	700	700	-
Even Start	255,431	250,482	10,000
Total Grants	1,180,569	1,001,111	746,507
Interest Income	4,000	2,800	2,800
Cash to open	17,708	(10,711)	-
Direct reimbursements	117,754	127,306	149,572
Total Revenue	1,320,031	1,120,506	898,879
Local Assessments	555,355	582,107	687,608
Revenue plus assessments	\$ 1,875,386	\$ 1,702,613	\$ 1,586,487

Breakdown of assessments by district:

Proctor	185,118	194,036	229,203
Rutland Town	185,118	194,036	229,203
West Rutland	185,119	194,036	229,203
Total Assessments	\$ 555,355	\$ 582,108	\$ 687,609

**Note:** The EEE grants are not included as RCSU revenue in the FY10 budget. Each school district receives a grant of \$20,000 to \$28,000 depending on their program which is reflected in each school's FY10 budget. West Rutland is budgeted to receive \$20,264 which will offset its portion of the assessment related to the EEE program. The assessment becomes \$208,939 when the EEE grant is applied to the FY10 assessment above.





Established  
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**RUTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENT**  
108 WALES STREET  
P.O. BOX 303  
RUTLAND, VT, 05701  
802-775-8002



Stephen P. Benard  
SHERIFF

### **2008 REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND VERMONT**

2008 has presented us with challenges, both in the world of law enforcement and on the financial level. The Rutland County Sheriff's Office has been involved in several federal and state level drug cases and sweeps and it continues to be a battle to stem the flow of drugs into our County. We fight this battle not only with enforcement efforts but also with education of our youth. With a grant from the Vermont Sheriff's Association we have been and continue to provide educational classes to both students and parents in the County about the hazards of drugs, the dangers of alcohol use and abuse and the consequences of allowing the use of or providing these things to our children. These classes are always received very well and prove to be great talking points with students and parents. It is our commitment to continue to provide these talks, free of charge, to any schools, PTA groups, fraternal organizations or church groups that wish to host them. Education and enforcement are two of the three ways to curb the abuse of alcohol and drugs, leaving rehabilitation as the third effort.

Another concern of many of our contract Towns is in the area of sex offenders and the Sex Offender Registry. This is another area where keeping our kids safe is of paramount concern. We have instituted a system of checking on all of the persons registered with the Sex Offender Registry who list our contract towns as places of residence. One person has been arrested and jailed for failing to keep his current address on file with the Registry.

During 2008 there were 623 incidents handled by the Rutland County Sheriff's Office for the Town of West Rutland, as compared to 602 for 2007. The breakdown of calls is as follows:

- 67 Suspicious Persons
- 46 Thefts
- 16 Noise Complaints
- 16 Trespassing
- 14 Unlawful Mischief
- 38 Motor Vehicle Crashes
- 51 Citizen Assists/Service calls
- 47 Motor Vehicle Complaints
- 1 911 Hang-up Calls
- 12 Phone Problems
- 32 Family Fights/Citizen Disputes
- 8 Burglaries
- 8 Other Motor Vehicle Related Incidents

- 407 Other Calls for Service
- 10 Juvenile Problems

Arrests in 2008 totaled 59, resulting in 81 criminal charges as follows:

- 18 Motor Vehicle Violations/Driving While Intoxicated
- 17 Drug Violations
- 11 Condition of Release Violations
- 4 Assaults/Disorderly Conducts
- 14 Suspended License
- 6 Theft
- 14 Other

Motor Vehicle enforcement resulted in 403 Traffic Tickets for violations and a total of \$57,906.00 in fines. 250 warning were also issued.

Animal Control Services were also provided for the Town of West Rutland. There were the following cases:

- 4 Animal Noise complaints
- 42 Animal Problems
- 25 Stray Animals
- 4 Vicious Animals

Corporal Jeffrey Stephenson is currently assigned as primary patrol in the Town of West Rutland. Corporal Stephenson is full time certified and is assigned along with Deputy David Fox to the Proctor-West Rutland patrol area.

Feel free to contact either of these Deputies or my office directly with questions, concerns or suggestions.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen P. Benard  
Sheriff



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www.nwwvt.org



The mission of **NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont**, formerly known as Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services Inc., is to transform lives by promoting safe and affordable housing for families in Addison, Bennington, and Rutland counties. NWWVT strengthens our communities, one home at a time. Studies repeatedly show that families with permanent homes obtain higher education, higher income, improved self-esteem, and reduced family conflict. Also, homeownership results in stable neighborhoods where neighbors care about one another. In a recent survey of clients that were first time homebuyers, 100% of the respondents said they would recommend homeownership to others, and 89% said that NWWVT's assistance made a positive difference in their home buying process.

We form partnerships with residents, business, government, and volunteers to assist households which are 80% or more below the median income. We provide home rehabilitation services, low interest loans, homebuyer education and financial fitness counseling, and emergency services to those in crisis of possibly losing their housing. Our loan committee and staff administer a six million dollar revolving loan fund which is largely capitalized by community block grants and customer repayment of loans. One important service is the rehab of existing homes, making sure HUD Section 8 codes are used to address the health and safety issues in the home. The Post Purchase IDA program continues to help families establish a savings account for home maintenance. The newest program is a Partner Loan Program (PLP) which provides a loan pool with the partnership of five local banks for second mortgages.

2008 has been quite a productive year for NeighborWorks® of Western Vermont.

- ❖ 177 families attended homebuyer education classes.
- ❖ 294 received individual counseling for Home Ownership, Financial Fitness, Post - Purchase, and Emergency Shelter needs.
- ❖ 62 families purchased their first homes after completing education classes and counseling services at the center, and all of them received loans totaling \$1,152,017.09 directly from NWWVT toward their home purchase. Total value of home purchases was \$9,405,794.60.
- ❖ 51 families repaired their homes with \$602,276.86 in loans benefiting 120 individuals.
- ❖ NWWVT also provided 29 families with \$34,660.62 of emergency services.
- ❖ In West Rutland, we received 146 requests from different families for our services. We completed 6 home rehab projects with loans totaling \$62,140, and assisted 6 families in crisis with \$2,685.40 of emergency services.

*There is always a need and we hope we are always here to help.*

We welcome the involvement of residents on committees or volunteering time for special projects. Call us at 438-2303 extension 215, or stop by the office located at 110 Marble Street, West Rutland.

**TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD STRONG COMMUNITIES!**

Respectfully,  
**Ludy Biddle**  
Executive Director



# REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

275 Stratton Road  
Rutland, VT 05701

Business: 802-773-1746  
Emergency: 911  
FAX: 802-773-1717

## 25th ANNUAL REPORT

(Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008)  
25 Years of Service 1983 - 2008

To the Honorable Citizens of the Town of West Rutland:

We are pleased to present our 25th annual report to the Citizens we serve. Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service for twenty five years. From 1983 to the end of this fiscal year, Regional has responded to 128,076 ambulance calls. This past year, ending June 30, 2008, the service responded to a total of 7,167 ambulance calls in our 12 communities and an additional 560 "Medic One" paramedic intercept calls. Having reached our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving the public.

We also congratulate EMT-I MaryAnn Jakubowski for being honored as our "Stars of Life" at the American Ambulance Association's Stars of Life celebration in our nation's capital.

With the continued support of the citizens, our employees, and community governing bodies, we have been able to level fund or lower our assessment rate for the past 24 years. Since 1990 the Assessment rate has been decreased by 33%. Our current assessment rate is \$4.25 per capita and remains unchanged for the next fiscal year. The public support of our Membership program, direct donations, memorials and estate gifts have been vital to our continued success. Thank you for your support.

This past year two new ambulances were put into service to replace older ambulances with over 100,000 miles of service on each of them.

Our motto "Serving People First with Pride, Proficiency and Professionalism" is demonstrated by our employee's commitment to continuing EMS training. Each year our employees have specialized training in Critical Care Paramedicine, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Basic Life Support, Prehospital Advanced Trauma Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Neonatal Resuscitation, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Bloodborn Pathogens and a variety of continuing education programs. Our professional staff is extremely capable and dedicated.

Monthly C.P.R. classes are taught at Regional Ambulance. Last year, through the R.A.S. Training Center, 1,845 people were trained in C.P.R. Tours, lectures, demonstrations, and C.P.R. classes are available for the general public. Child Car Seat inspections are held Thursdays at Regional Ambulance building. In cooperation with the Rutland County Safety Coalition 276 inspections were completed.

The public is encouraged to visit and talk to the employees and Administrator at our Stratton Road facility. Please feel free to contact James Finger, Chief Executive Administrator, or your Representative, if you have any questions concerning the service.

We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. will continue working to provide the highest quality of emergency ambulance care at the lowest possible cost to all of the citizens we serve.

Sincerely, Paul Kulig, President  
R.A.S. Board of Directors





# RSVP & The Volunteer Center



6 Court Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701 • (802) 775-8220 • Fax: (802) 775-8221 • TTY/TDD: 800-253-0191

www.volunteersinvt.org • E-mail: [rsvp@volunteersinvt.org](mailto:rsvp@volunteersinvt.org)

## **REQUEST FOR TOWN FUNDING** **TOWN OF: WEST RUTLAND AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$400.00**

RSVP is an "Invitation to Serve" program for people of all ages who want to meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills, talents, interests and knowledge in volunteer service. Needs are met in critical areas such as human services, health care, education, literacy, and the arts, just to name a few. RSVP involves individuals in service that matches their personal interests and makes use of their varied life and professional experiences. Through such efforts, RSVP is meeting the needs that strained local budgets cannot afford. RSVP enables people to contribute to their communities and feel good about themselves through the rewarding experience of volunteering. Additionally, over the past 10 years RSVP has implemented several "Signature Programs" aimed at addressing pressing community needs. These programs include a children's literacy and mentoring program called **RSVP Rutland County Reads**, an osteoporosis prevention program, **RSVP Bone Builders**, which provides **FREE** strength and balance exercise classes with RSVP volunteer instructors to Rutland County residents, and **RSVP Operation Dolls & More**, in which RSVP volunteers restore and refurbish donated dolls, toys books and games. Last year over 10,000 items were distributed to 2,000 children and over 50 organizations to share with clients.

Locally, **RSVP is the largest program of coordinated volunteer services** serving the people of Rutland County with **750+ volunteers**. From July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, RSVP/VC volunteers provided **99,327 hours of community service**. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals **\$1,765,040**.

Once again this year RSVP is not asking for additional monies from the Town of West Rutland. The monies we request are used to help defray the costs of providing services that impact the lives of citizens of all ages throughout Rutland County.

**Currently in West Rutland, 19 volunteers donate their services to the following non-profit organizations:** Rutland Regional Medical Center, West Rutland Elementary and High Schools, Pleasant Manor Nursing Home, Godnick Adult Center, Eden Park Nursing Home, Dismas House, Rutland Partnership, Rutland Senior Chorus, Southwest Vermont Council on Aging, College of Saint Joseph, Rutland Town Elementary School, Rutland Area Visiting Nurses Association and Hospice, Rutland Intermediate School, Northwest and Northeast Elementary Schools, Crossroads Arts Council, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Mount Saint Joseph Academy, West Rutland Free Library, Rutland Community Correctional Center, One-2-One, Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Rutland County, Mountain View, Rutland Economic Development, Kids on the Move, American Red Cross, **RSVP Bone Builders** program, **RSVP Operation Dolls & More**, and **RSVP Rutland County Reads**.

**The volunteer services they provide include:** knitting and sewing items for children and elders, tutoring and mentoring in area schools, mailings, entertaining in the area nursing homes and schools, teaching and performing arts and crafts, greeting people at RRMC and providing information at the front desk, clerical assistance, delivering and preparing meals, cooking assistance, friendly visitation, companionship and outreach, community relations, reading club moderator, library aides, community relations, board member, clowning, providing essential transportation, tax counseling, volunteers in **RSVP Rutland County Reads** and **RSVP Operation Dolls & More**, **RSVP Bone Builders** Exercise Trainer. In addition, **RSVP Bone Builders** classes are offered in West Rutland **FREE of charge** to area residents.

On behalf of RSVP, I would like to thank the residents of West Rutland for their continued support. As financial constraints effect more and more non-profit organizations, the need for volunteers increases. With your help, RSVP will continue to respond to this need. We would welcome the opportunity to speak to your board to update you on our program.

Sincerely,

Nan M. Hart, Director  
November 5, 2008

Bridges and Beyond\*  
Green Mountain Foster Grandparent Program\*  
InterAge\*

One-2-One\*  
RSVP and The Volunteer Center\*  
Rutland Area Physical Activity Coalition\*

Rutland Area Prevention Coalition\*  
Rutland County Head Start\*

\*United Way Member Agency





## ANNUAL REPORT - 2008

### Rutland Regional Planning Commission

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#### THE COMMISSION'S MISSION:

*Cooperative planning in the Region*

[www.rutlandrpc.org](http://www.rutlandrpc.org)

#### THE COMMISSION'S 2008 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

- **Technical assistance** on community development issues - including the update and implementation of town plans, zoning & subdivision regulations, Village Center designations, and flood hazard area regulations.
- Regular **roundtables** of **local road commissioners** and **zoning administrators** to share information and discuss common problems and solutions.
- **Municipal Planning Grants** assistance for application or implementation to 14 communities.
- **Emergency management planning** drills in five communities and support of the **Local Emergency Planning Committee**.
- Used **GIS (Geographic Information Systems)** tools to work on transportation, watershed planning, town planning and zoning, commercial and industrial sites inventories and infrastructure mapping.
- Supported the **Rutland Region Transportation Council** which is planning for the future multi-modal transportation needs of the Region; completed additional **bridge, culvert and network inventories**, which help to reduce the local share of some highway projects.
- The update of the **Rutland Regional Plan** to better coordinate community planning, development and transportation. The plan was recognized by the State of Vermont and New England planning organizations as the Outstanding Plan of the Year.
- **Brownfields Assessment** program to identify and assess potentially contaminated sites and make them useable for development.
- Supported **Agricultural Viability** through participation in the Rutland Area Farm and Food Link.
- **Education, training, and information programs** for municipal officials and reimbursement for program fees as well as a quarterly Newsletter.
- Received three National Association of Development Organization **Innovative Project awards** for various projects in which the Commission is involved.

#### **In West Rutland the Regional Planning Commission:**

- ArcView GIS training for zoning department.
- Helped with the development and adoption of new flood hazard regulations.
- Prepared a map showing boundaries of revised flood hazards areas and listing of property owners affected.



In the year 2008, 27 towns in Rutland County supported the work of Rutland Mental Health Services through town giving. Our agency is committed to providing quality services regardless of an individual's ability to pay. The generous support of towns such as the Town of West Rutland assures that quality services are available for their families, friends and neighbors. Town giving dollars support services which include:

- Individual Counseling for Children, Adults and Families
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Emergency/Crisis Services

During fiscal year 2008, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 4,350 hours of services to 120 West Rutland residents. We value our partnership with the Town of West Rutland in providing these much needed services and thank you for your continued support.

*Dan Quinn*

President and Chief Executive Officer  
Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.



## Town of West Rutland

### TO THE OFFICERS AND CITIZENS OF WEST RUTLAND:

In 2008, Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) provided Rutland County residents with exceptional home care, hospice and community health services. From infants with hi-tech needs to our most senior population facing end-of-life care, we continued to carry out our mission to bring medically necessary healthcare wherever it is needed, regardless of a client's ability to pay, location of residence, or complexity of health issues.

In the face of shrinking government and state reimbursements and rising healthcare costs, RAVNAH has continued to identify community needs and provide essential cost-effective health care services to some of Rutland County's most vulnerable individuals. Our achievements in 2008 have included:

- Our hospice volunteers provided more than 3,500 hours of support to community members.
- More than 4,500 flu and pneumonia vaccines were administered throughout Rutland County.
- We implemented phase two of our in-home charting program and have now trained all of our home care and hospice clinicians on specialty software and laptop computers that will enhance the care we provide.
- We launched our travel immunization program, providing our community's international travelers with the vaccines and individualized disease prevention plans recommended for safe travel.
- RAVNAH reached the 99% percentile in patient satisfaction when compared to other home health agencies in Vermont.

Last year, RAVNAH's dedicated staff made more than 98,006 visits to 2,532 patients. In the town of West Rutland, we provided 4,170 visits to 99 individuals.

In closing, we wish to thank the citizens of West Rutland who supported us in 2007. With your continued vote of confidence, we will continue to meet our mission to enhance the quality of life of all we serve through comprehensive home and community health services.

*Ronald J. Cioffi, Executive Director*

*Win Thomas, President of the Board of Directors*

# BROC

*Community Action in Southwestern Vermont*  
Since 1965

November 5, 2008

To the Citizens of the Town of West Rutland and Members of the Selectboard,

BROC – Community Action in Southwestern Vermont would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of West Rutland who have supported low-income families and our agency through the balloting process over the years. BROC continues to experience a large number of low-income individuals and families coming through our doors each day.

**Last year, BROC helped meet the basic needs of 272 individuals in the Town of West Rutland.** In addition, BROC weatherized 11 homes, comprised of 15 individuals through our Weatherization & Energy Conservation program, BROC's Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) reimbursed 3 day care home providers in West Rutland for serving nutritious meals to about 31 children in their care, and BROC's Micro Business Development Program (MBDP) worked with 6 West Rutland residents interested in starting or expanding a small business. BROC also created several new partnerships and collaborations throughout the year with local organizations and businesses to help raise food for our emergency food shelf; as well as to help raise much needed funds through events and fund raising so that the needs of our neighbors continue to be met.

With your help, BROC is able to help many families facing the difficult decisions on how to make their budgets work with the rise in fuel and gasoline prices. Sometimes being able to access a few meals from BROC or having a dry, warm place to stay at night can make all the difference.

***Our appropriation request for the upcoming year is \$1,250.00.***

Sincerely,



Linda G. Rooker  
Executive Director

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Linda G. Rooker, Executive Director lrooker175@aol.com \* www.broc.org





# ARC - Rutland Area

Advocacy, Resources & Community for citizens with developmental disabilities and their families



## 2008 ANNUAL REPORT

Our mission is to advocate for the rights of individuals and families with developmental disabilities to be regarded as valued citizens with the same entitlements as a non-disabled individual, including the right to lifelong opportunities for personal growth and full participation in the community.

### BOARD OFFICERS:

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In 2008, we were representative payee for about 65 clients referred to us by Social Security and other Human Service agencies and organizations. We assisted these clients in establishing and maintaining budgets that enabled them to subsist within their budget limitations; quite an accomplishment for people living only on Social Security and SSI resources. We were involved in every process from advocacy and payment of bills; such as rent, electricity, phone, etc. to redetermination eligibility paperwork on Medicaid, Medicare, food stamps and fuel assistance. We complete and submit annual reports to Social Security for each representative payee client. The hours involved in managing one's case averages from 1-2 hours monthly to 3-4 hours weekly, dependent on need. As well, we assisted 8 clients in filling out annual accounting forms for probate court.

Five dances were provided throughout the year: Valentines, Spring Fling, Summer Dance, Halloween, and our annual Christmas Dinner Dance - these events were attended by approximately 554 people with developmental disabilities, friends and families. The dances are our biggest events that bring people together in the community. They are sponsored by local civic clubs and other organizations that donate their halls, beverages, food, decorations, money and time. There is much fun had by all who attend, whether dancing, listening to music, talking with a friend, receiving a gift or just watching. These events provide an opportunity for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families to feel compassion and to gain the comradity of their fellow peers, which is not always offered in their community.

ARC- Rutland Area supports the local Self-Advocacy group for people with developmental disabilities by doing the minutes and preparing the agendas for the group and then helps with facilitating the monthly meetings. They focus on sharing what has been going on in their lives and gain committee meeting experience. Another focus of theirs is working towards a group goal, currently they have accomplished raising the public's disability awareness through bumper stickers, community trainings, and TV! They wish to share that they not only have a lot in common with the rest of the community but also have positive messages around developmental disabilities for all to hear, just call to request a Disability Awareness Training for your group.

The Rutland Family Support Network, which is lead by parents, is still going strong with their listserve, monthly potluck gatherings and sibshops. Family's have had a place to gather and share food. The gatherings are formed from the idea that as people share dinner, relationships will grow. These natural bonds can then be used to help each other work through; their concerns, service problems and system changes. The goal of networking with families and providers via the internet is helping families. Sibshops are mini workshops where children of siblings with disabilities can get together to have fun and talk about their life.

Some of our efforts have again gone into the Transportation grant. We used the Elderly & Disabled Grant to help get people with transportation gaps to where they needed to go. We have gone to meetings to advocate for transportation to work for people with developmental disabilities. It is difficult to secure a job when you can't drive there or get a ride from someone. It would be beneficial to have public transportation set up for work routes, to include nights and weekends. We now have monies to provide transportation to work for people with disabilities. We provide transportation for the self advocacy group, events, dances, and churchgoers.





Our youngest project, the Aktion Club, is a group of adults living with disabilities giving back through community service and is co sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Rutland. They have been meeting twice a month and are ready to commit to an ongoing visiting schedule at a local nursing home. They have, as well, collected money for other organizations and are helping ARC with our petitions. They are very active and still seek dedicated persons without disabilities to help lead and support them through their board meetings and committee meetings. They are "aktive" and enjoying every minute of it.

The Executive Director is a member on the Local Standing Committee of Community Access Program, receives mailing from the State Standing Committee for Developmental Services. By staying in touch with state level organizations and working collaboratively with local advocates, families and other organizations, ARC-Rutland Area stays on top of the services being provided to people with developmental disabilities. With this involvement the Director is able to access many venues in which to advocate for those services that are not being offered as well as being able to let members know of changes that are coming.

Each time an event is being planned we mail out a newsletter to invite all members and interested parties on the mailing list (approximately 460 addresses), and to update them with any information we have in regard to the Advocacy, Resources or Community opportunities for people with developmental disabilities and their families. People have gotten valuable information on; upcoming trainings, possible legislative changes, support circles, coming events, and some free to low cost activities in the community.

On behalf of the Board Members, friends, and families; we are grateful for the support and continued assistance from the citizens of the Rutland Area. We receive neither state nor federal funding, and our main sources of income continue to be allocations from United Way, Rutland City and other towns in the Rutland Area. Some of our minor sources of income come from our membership and service fees, this year we continued doing 50/50 raffles and taking donations at our events. We thank all who have donated to ARC-Rutland Area and made these great things possible. In 2008, there were a total of 715 residents in the Rutland Area who took advantage of all the opportunities we offered.

We do all this, with only one and a half employed positions and much community support, for those who need us ~ call 775-1370.

Sincerely,



Lisa S. Lynch  
Executive Director

Association For Retarded Citizens  
Balance Sheet  
October 31, 2008

ASSETS

**Current Assets:**

Petty Cash	\$ 25.00	
Banknorth Checking	44,241.20	
Citizens Bank Money Market	38,488.91	
Lake Sunapee Bank CD	16,096.05	
Banknorth RFSN Checking	314.98	
Total Current Assets		99,166.14

**Property and Equipment:**

Furniture & Fixtures	3,233.75	
Computer Equipment	3,766.43	
Total Property and Equipment		7,000.18

**Other Assets:**

Total Other Assets		0.00
Total Assets	\$	106,166.32

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

**Current Liabilities:**

Federal Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 730.37	
State Payroll Taxes Payable	80.76	
Total Current Liabilities		811.13

**Long-Term Liabilities:**

Total Long-Term Liabilities		0.00
Total Liabilities		811.13

**Capital:**

General Fund	99,832.46	
Net Income	5,522.73	
Total Capital		105,355.19
Total Liabilities & Capital	\$	106,166.32

**Association For Retarded Citizens**  
**Income Statement**  
**For the Ten Months Ending October 31, 2008**

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>% Revs.</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>% Revs.</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>	<u>% Revs.</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Allocation From United Way	\$ 2,750.00	48.86	\$ 10,750.00	16.96	\$ 10,250.00	15.33
Contributions	2,830.24	50.29	9,003.44	14.20	9,614.58	14.38
Special Events	20.00	0.36	276.50	0.44	120.50	0.18
Fees & Grants: Govt Agencies	0.00	0.00	36,625.00	57.78	38,675.00	57.83
Membership Dues	30.00	0.53	1,090.00	1.72	650.00	0.97
Program Serv. Fees & Net Inc	0.00	0.00	5,210.00	8.22	6,305.00	9.43
Investment Income	1.59	0.03	423.27	0.67	1,242.76	1.86
Miscellaneous Income	(4.00)	(0.07)	(4.00)	(0.01)	15.00	0.02
RFSN Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	10.00	0.02	0.01	0.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>5,627.83</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>63,384.21</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>66,872.85</u>	<u>100.00</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Salaries (Detail On Sched 5)	3,062.40	54.42	33,741.40	53.23	33,630.20	50.29
Payroll Taxes	234.28	4.16	3,919.29	6.18	3,721.78	5.57
Professional Fees	100.00	1.78	1,100.00	1.74	1,000.00	1.50
Supplies	36.48	0.65	1,413.27	2.23	849.03	1.27
Telephone(Watts Yes___No_X_)	203.83	3.62	1,975.61	3.12	1,507.03	2.25
Postage & Shipping	0.00	0.00	1,775.13	2.80	1,771.68	2.65
Occupancy	1,732.26	30.78	8,181.50	12.91	7,784.46	11.64
Printing & Publications	92.30	1.64	372.73	0.59	461.50	0.69
Travel	47.20	0.84	172.00	0.27	220.00	0.33
Conferences/Conventions/Mttg	1,722.40	30.61	4,902.34	7.73	2,166.88	3.24
Specific Assist to Individua	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership Dues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards & Grants	0.00	0.00	(200.00)	(0.32)	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	518.21	0.82	161.13	0.24
Temporary Distribution	(10.00)	(0.18)	(10.00)	(0.02)	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>7,221.15</u>	<u>128.31</u>	<u>57,861.48</u>	<u>91.29</u>	<u>53,273.69</u>	<u>79.66</u>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<u>\$ (1,593.32)</u>	<u>(28.31)</u>	<u>\$ 5,522.73</u>	<u>8.71</u>	<u>\$ 13,599.16</u>	<u>20.34</u>

## **RUTLAND REGION TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL**

The Rutland Region Transportation Council (RRTC) provides a forum for public involvement in transportation planning, the development of regional transportation planning and transportation projects, coordinates policies and priorities with the Vermont Agency of Transportation and promotes cooperation on transportation issues in the Rutland region. The Rutland Regional Planning Commission provides planning, administrative, and geographic information system staff to the Council. All municipalities in the Rutland Region can participate in the Transportation Council and those with representatives named to the Council may vote on any issues. Meetings are held once each month, normally on the fourth Thursday, in Rutland. All are invited to attend. Questions about the Transportation Council may be directed to the following individuals: Susan Schreibman, Senior Planner (775-0871) or Richard Baker, Chair (247-6366).

In the last fiscal year (10/07-9/08), the RRTC and staff have worked for improved transportation planning in Rutland County in the following ways:

- Assess and prioritize the Rutland Region's VTrans transportation project list in addition to new projects to solve transportation problems;
- Continued work on projects such as improvements to the Route 7 and 4 corridors, the Pittsford-Brandon US 7 Upgrade, improvements at Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport, Western Corridor Management Plan, and public transportation service;
- Assisted with the planning and engineering design and received a national award from the National Association of Development Organizations for a multi-use path along the East and Otter Creeks in Rutland;
- Successfully sought funding to initiate signs, a logo and promotional materials for the Stone Valley Scenic Byway which extends along Route 30 from Poultney through Wells and Pawlet to Manchester in Bennington County;
- Received a grant to develop a Corridor Management Plan for US 7 in Rutland Town and Clarendon;
- Advised VTrans on various studies, documents and programs, specifically the Western Corridor Management Plan, which is underway and will have an extensive public involvement component;
- Assisted individual towns with infrastructure (culverts, road and equipment) inventories to reduce their local match on bridge and structure grants, speed studies, traffic counts in Pittsford, West Haven, Poultney and Road Safety Audit Reviews for minor improvements on local roads in Poultney and Clarendon;
- Continued support on the Safe Routes to Schools Program with Fair Haven Grade School and Barstow School in Chittenden, which included infrastructure grants, and started working with Proctor, Poultney and Rutland City on traffic counts and planning for the non-infrastructure component of the program;
- Worked with the Rutland Physical Activity Coalition to increase bicycle and pedestrian facilities and programs including a WalkRutland program;
- Helped coordinate the Region's application for the elderly and disabled transit program;
- Coordinated monthly networking sessions for the Road Commissioners/Foremen;
- Promoted access management and sound land use / transportation planning practices for developments and in the review of Act 250 applications.

In the current federal fiscal year (October 2008 – September 2009), the Rutland Region Transportation Council is continuing many of these efforts, with the goal of a more balanced, efficient multi-modal transportation network.



## Rutland County Solid Waste District Annual Report – Calendar Year 2008

The Rutland County Solid Waste District offers a variety of solid waste, recycling, waste education, household hazardous waste, composting and administrative support programs for our seventeen member municipalities. Some services are also available to non-District communities on a fee for service basis. In addition, the District operates a regional drop-off center and transfer station at Gleason Road in Rutland City. District program, facility and rate information is now available on our web site, [www.rcswd.com](http://www.rcswd.com).

**Waste Disposal:** During 2008, residents and businesses in our member municipalities disposed of approximately 38,000 tons of municipal solid waste; nearly all of this was through the District's master disposal contract with Casella Waste Management. The cost of disposal, handling and transportation from the District Transfer Station at Gleason Road to the landfill was \$75.03 per ton. State taxes, district surcharge and the Rutland City Host Community Fee totaled \$23.97, for a final disposal cost of \$99.00 per ton. Tonnage was down this year largely in part due to the downturn in the economy.

**Recycling:** The District owns a Material Recovery Facility (MRF), or recycling center, off West Street in Rutland City that is leased by Casella Waste Management for their operations. The MRF accepts seventeen recyclable commodities from transfer stations, commercial haulers and large generators for processing and sale for re-use. The facility currently receives approximately 18,000 tons of recyclables a year. The tonnage rate for recycling materials was also down for the year due to the economy. Casella Waste Management has been making upgrade improvements to the facility with the anticipation of converting the collection and processing to a single-stream system in the near future.

**Household Hazardous Waste:** Rutland County Solid Waste District operates an extensive Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program for district residents. The program operates year-round from the Gleason Road facility, and scheduled collections at twenty town transfer stations through the spring, summer and fall. The HHW program collects and safely disposes of dozens of hazardous, flammable and toxic materials, anti-freeze, pesticides, used motor oil, asbestos, fluorescent tubes, computers and electronics. For 2008 the District collected and disposed of approximately 112,260 lbs of electronics, televisions and computers; 70,962 linear feet of florescent lamps; forty-eight, 55 gallon drums of paints, etc., 86 gallons of Household pesticides plus misc. and other HHW; 506 refrigerators, air conditioners and other freon based units and disposed of 1065 lbs of ballast/batteries. This program had over 326 households (Tues – Thursday), and 435 households from Saturday programs including SWAC towns, and 193 businesses participate in 2008.

**Other Programs:** The District also offered other waste management, education and reduction programs, including construction and demolition waste, clean wood and composting. The District is continuing with its "Merry Mulch" program in collecting and processing over 1,200 Christmas trees annually. The District continued its "clean sheetrock" waste drywall recycle program for contractors and homeowners. This program originally started from a grant from the Agency of Natural Resources. The District also has been working with and providing recycling materials or information to various local organizations including the Rutland Master Gardener's Club, the Rutland Dismas House, Rutland Neighborhood Program, Vermont Southwestern Council on Aging, Rutland Hospital and Women's Network & Shelter and the Rutland County Humane Society.

In 2008 the District participated in several local programs including Green Up Day, the Rutland Regional Chamber of Commerce Business Show, the first Earth Day Event in Poultney, the Long Trail Festival, and Solar Fest.

An additional highlight of 2008 is the District's participation in the creation of the Vermont Product Stewardship Council (VTPSC). The Council was formed with the mission to shift Vermont's product waste management system from one focused on government funded and ratepayer financed waste diversion to one that relies on producer responsibility in order to reduce public costs and drive improvements in product design that promote environmental sustainability. Founding members include the majority of the other Solid Waste District's and Alliances in the state. The VTPSC will start to focus on promoting legislation that will help to move this concept forward.

James O'Gorman  
District Manager



The Vermont Department of Health works to protect, improve and promote the health of Vermonters. The following are some of the Department's services that are available to residents of West Rutland.

**Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC):** One of the most effective ways to improve the health of the overall population is to improve nutrition and physical activity. WIC improves the health of pregnant and postpartum women, infants and young children by assuring access to health care, teaching families about good nutritional practices and providing an individually designed package of nutritious food to eligible individuals. During 2007, 143 women, infants and children living in West Rutland received individualized nutrition counseling, health screening & referrals and nutritious foods through this program. The average value of foods provided is about \$50.00 per person per month.

**Blueprint for Health:** The Vermont Blueprint for Health is a vision, a plan and a statewide partnership to improve health and the health care system for Vermonters. The Blueprint provides the information, tools and support that Vermonters need to manage their own health – and that doctors need to keep their patients healthy. The Blueprint is working to change health care to a system focused on preventing illness and complications, rather than reacting to health emergencies.

Three hospital service areas, Central Vermont Hospital, Springfield Hospital, and Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center, currently participate in Blueprint community grants integrating through a systems approach, clinical practice, patient information systems, health systems collaboration, coordinated public policy, and self-management programs to deliver better health care and prevention services.

Three additional hospitals, Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital, Fletcher Allen Health Care, and Southwestern Vermont Medical Center, participated in 2008 or will participate in 2009 in full scale Blueprint pilots including all components of the community grants plus a community care team to coordinate care across patient center medical homes and the community. Blueprint pilots include an innovative model of payment reform.

Statewide the Blueprint is dedicated to ensuring resources exist to support prevention and self-management of chronic disease among adults with or are at risk for chronic conditions. Healthier Living Workshops are available to residents across the state. New in 2008, each Vermont Department of Health District Office has a chronic disease prevention designee.

**Reportable Disease Case Investigations:** Infectious diseases continue to be a major source of illness, disability and death in the U.S. and Vermont, accounting for 25 percent of all doctor visits each year. The Health Department investigates all cases of reportable infectious disease, such as meningitis, hepatitis, pertussis (whooping cough) and infectious diarrhea to determine their source, recommend control measures (including current treatment standards) and prevent further spread of the disease. In 2007, the department investigated 259 cases of disease in Rutland County. In addition, special programs focus on prevention, diagnosis and treatment for HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases and tuberculosis.



## SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING

### *Report to the Citizens of West Rutland*

This report describes the services that the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging provided to older persons in West Rutland over the past year:

#### *Senior Meals:*

The Council helped provide 5,404 meals that were delivered to the homes of 27 older persons in your community; this service is often called "Meals on Wheels". We also supplied "Blizzard Bags" containing shelf-stable meals to Meals on Wheels participants and other vulnerable elders in your community to use in emergency situations. 34 West Rutland elders came together at one or more of the luncheon sites in our area to enjoying the good company of others; 749 meals that were provided to this group over the past year.

#### *Case Management Assistance:*

SVCOA Case Management staff worked with 35 elders in West Rutland helping with applications and problem solving related to such programs as Fuel Assistance, SSI, Medicaid, Food Stamps, etc. They also helped elders link with in-home assistance programs, including the Choices for Care Medicaid Waiver. This program was especially helpful to frail elders who wanted to stay at home rather than to go into a nursing home.

#### *Other:*

Council on Aging services also included: 1) Medicare D, health benefit counseling information and form assistance through the SHIP Program. This was especially helpful to elders who had to deal with this ever changing federal pharmaceutical assistance program; 2) Our "Senior HelpLine" staff (786-5991 or 1-800-642-5119) provided telephone help to elders and others who needed information on available programs and support; 3) Legal assistance through the Vermont Senior Citizens Law Project; 4) Information about elder issues via "Elder Connection" column appearing in the Rutland Herald; 5) Nutrition education and counseling services provided by the Council's Registered Dietician; 6) Senior Companion support for frail, homebound elders; 7) Assistance to elders dealing with mental health issues through the Elder Care Clinician program provided in cooperation with Rutland Mental Health; 8) Funding assistance for transportation services delivered through the Elders on the Go and the One-2-One Program; 9) Community Development assistance and 10) Caregiver support and information, including Alzheimer/Dementia respite grants to family members and others who are providing valuable support to elders in need of care.

## **Vermont Adult Learning- Rutland County**

Vermont Adult Learning works with adults age 16 and over who are not enrolled in school and want to gain a high school level credential, improve their skills, or prepare for college or a career. We provide instruction in reading, writing, math, English for speakers of other languages, as well as communication, problem solving, decision making, interpersonal and other learning skills. VAL also helps adults prepare for the U.S citizenship, GED exams, the Adult Diploma Program, or the new High School Completion Program.

**Last Year Vermont Adult Learning served 913 adult residents of Rutland County and provided 21,749 hours of instruction. Of these totals, 54 residents of West Rutland were served and provided with 1600 hrs of instruction.** Student achievements included obtaining a high school diploma or GED, acquiring job readiness skills, obtaining employment and increasing participation in children's education. The cost of providing educational services, in relation to West Rutland's appropriation of \$1200.00 is as follows: **Total cost to West Rutland per instructional hour = \$.75 (\$1200/1600 hrs of instruction).**

We appreciate your support.

John Campbell, Regional Manager

# THE CARVINGSTUDIO & SCULPTURECENTER



*CSSC receives Cultural Facilities Award at the State House-Jan. 2009*

The Carving Studio and Sculpture Center is the only Vermont art education venue dedicated exclusively to sculptural exploration - uniquely sited in the center of the former marble quarrying and fabrication industry. Since 1987 we have filled a serious need in the U.S. for instruction in the ancient art of stone carving. In addition, the CSSC has evolved from this initial focus, providing a working studio for three-dimensional artists from around the world in a wide range of sculptural disciplines.

2008 CSSC program highlights include:

- West Rutland High School customized sculpture courses with funding from the Carris Foundation
- Community workshops in Silversmithing and Stone partially funded by Hubbardton Forge
- College courses in bronze casting, stone and jewelry-making
- International exchange programs in Peru, Kenyan and, most recently, China
- Pilot Program: Summer Art Camp for kids aged 6-12

At the end of 2007 we reported on the acquisition of the adjacent Coping Shop facility through the generosity of the Gawet family. In 2008, renovations to this historic structure were initiated with funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Special Projects: Economic Development. The year culminated with an award from the Vermont Arts Council 2009 Cultural Facilities Grant to help fund accessibility throughout our buildings and grounds.

It is the generous support of our membership and supporters that make our unique arts program possible. We welcome the continued involvement of the West Rutland community in our non-profit sculpture education organization and look forward to seeing our neighbors at events, or just stopping by for a studio visit.

Sincerely,

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## **RUTLAND REGION TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL**

The Rutland Region Transportation Council (RRTC) provides a forum for public involvement in transportation planning, the development of regional transportation planning and transportation projects, coordinates policies and priorities with the Vermont Agency of Transportation and promotes cooperation on transportation issues in the Rutland region. The Rutland Regional Planning Commission provides planning, administrative, and geographic information system staff to the Council. All municipalities in the Rutland Region can participate in the Transportation Council and those with representatives named to the Council may vote on any issues. Meetings are held once each month, normally on the fourth Thursday, in Rutland. All are invited to attend. Questions about the Transportation Council may be directed to the following individuals: Susan Schreibman, Senior Planner (775-0871) or Richard Baker, Chair (247-6366).

In the last fiscal year (10/07-9/08), the RRTC and staff have worked for improved transportation planning in Rutland County in the following ways:

- Assess and prioritize the Rutland Region's VTrans transportation project list in addition to new projects to solve transportation problems;
- Continued work on projects such as improvements to the Route 7 and 4 corridors, the Pittsford-Brandon US 7 Upgrade, improvements at Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport, Western Corridor Management Plan, and public transportation service;
- Assisted with the planning and engineering design and received a national award from the National Association of Development Organizations for a multi-use path along the East and Otter Creeks in Rutland;
- Successfully sought funding to initiate signs, a logo and promotional materials for the Stone Valley Scenic Byway which extends along Route 30 from Poultney through Wells and Pawlet to Manchester in Bennington County;
- Received a grant to develop a Corridor Management Plan for US 7 in Rutland Town and Clarendon;
- Advised VTrans on various studies, documents and programs, specifically the Western Corridor Management Plan, which is underway and will have an extensive public involvement component;
- Assisted individual towns with infrastructure (culverts, road and equipment) inventories to reduce their local match on bridge and structure grants, speed studies, traffic counts in Pittsford, West Haven, Poultney and Road Safety Audit Reviews for minor improvements on local roads in Poultney and Clarendon;
- Continued support on the Safe Routes to Schools Program with Fair Haven Grade School and Barstow School in Chittenden, which included infrastructure grants, and started working with Proctor, Poultney and Rutland City on traffic counts and planning for the non-infrastructure component of the program;
- Worked with the Rutland Physical Activity Coalition to increase bicycle and pedestrian facilities and programs including a WalkRutland program;
- Helped coordinate the Region's application for the elderly and disabled transit program;
- Coordinated monthly networking sessions for the Road Commissioners/Foremen;
- Promoted access management and sound land use / transportation planning practices for developments and in the review of Act 250 applications.

In the current federal fiscal year (October 2008 – September 2009), the Rutland Region Transportation Council is continuing many of these efforts, with the goal of a more balanced, efficient multi-modal transportation network.



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Library	438-2964
Wastewater Treatment Plant	438-5633
Water Dept.	438-2113
School	438-2288
Recreation Area/Skating Rink	438-2406
FIRE/POLICE EMERGENCY	911
FIRE WARDEN (Steve Czachor)	438-2840
STATE POLICE	773-9101
AMBULANCE	773-1700
POLICE & ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (Rutland County Sheriffs Dept)	775-8002
NeighborWorks of Western VT	438-2303

The family of Robbie Blake Jr. accepts the dedication of the Town Hall elevator.



The Town Hall celebrates the 100th anniversary



Governor Douglas cuts the ribbon to unveil the newly renovated Town Hall Theatre on March 27, 2008.



Fireworks light up the sky as part of the 100th Town Hall anniversary celebration.

Phil Henry, music teacher lead the carolers at the Tree Lighting Ceremony.



The pedestrian bridge was installed over the Clarendon River to provide access to the new Town Farm Trail.



